

Meeting Minutes
Yakima Valley Artists Association
October 19, 2020

A Zoom meeting of Yakima Valley Artists Association was held at 6 p.m. with the following attendees:

Kate Bowditch
Cheryl Bush
Lynne Dolph
Betty England
Mary Jepsen
Lorie Morris

Kris Knight
Lynn Maiocco
Mike Mullen
Pam Searcy
Lou Toweill

Minutes from our last meeting on August 18, 2020 were read with no corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer Mary Jepsen reported income of \$347.00 brought in since last meeting from Art Fest, dues collected, aprons sold, donations, etc. An expense in the amount of \$105.00 was reported for the Portapotty at the Art Fest. Total in treasury at this writing is \$1,217.32. There are still several members whose dues have not been collected for 2020.

OLD BUSINESS

Art Fest

Mary Jepsen as well as Pam Searcy reported that the participants at the Art Fest really did enjoy it. They said there were five booths and the location was perfect. All kinds of signs, canopies, and tents. Attendance was not great, especially because of postponement due to smoke from fires, and it was pretty windy, but those who attended enjoyed it very much.

Web Site (Yakimavalleyartists.com)

Mike Mullen reminded everyone that with our new website we have plenty of room for pictures and artists' biographies. Send pictures to Mike at mullenbothell@yahoo.com. There is a form to fill out on the website for bio information.

NEW BUSINESS

Logo for Yakima Valley Seniors Inc.

Mary Jepsen, who is the secretary for Yakima Valley Seniors Inc. is in the process of coordinating with that organization a contest to design their logo for

their letterhead, etc. She would like our YVAA assn. members to consider designing a logo to be used for entrance in that contest. Mary was asked to enlighten us on the purpose of *Srs. Inc.* and she explained that their principle purpose is to support the Harman Center in fundraising activities (new carpeting, fans, doors, as well as strawberry shortcake and apple crisp socials, style shows, breakfast with Santa and Easter Bunny, etc.). There may be a cash prize for the winning logo design. More to come on this activity.

Topics for Discussion/Demonstrations

We may be meeting for some time via Zoom since we don't anticipate the Harman Center opening up any time soon. Some suggestions for Zoom meetings included *Use of Photoshop and/or Gimp, How to take Photos, Shifting Styles, Need for Copyrights/Business Licenses, etc. etc. etc.* Members are encouraged to let us know if there is a specific topic for discussion that would interest you.

We also discussed the possibility of finding other venues where we could meet to socialize and maybe share our work. Suggestions included rooms at Hobby Lobby, Michael's, or maybe just meeting at the Valley Mall to spread out and socialize. Again, any suggestions would be most welcome.

Recruitment of New Officers and Events Coordinator

While the current officers are willing to continue in their positions until they can be retired, members are encouraged to step forward to fill the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition, we need an Events Coordinator to explore future avenues of social interaction, especially during this stressful time when we are without a place to call home. We are very fortunate that Linda Kirkpatrick has volunteered to continue in this capacity and at this meeting, Kris Knight volunteered to help her. Thank you so much to both of you!

After only 40 minutes, our Zoom meeting came to an end, but not before discussing Zoom itself. Fortunately, we have some expertise in this area in the person of Lynne Dolph who has not only extensive experience with the app, but also an unlimited account. Lynne has graciously volunteered to conduct future Zoom meetings. Thank you Lynne! (Lynne will need to inform members of meetings via Email, so I will be sharing Email addresses with her unless there are objections. If so, please let me know.)

Our next meeting will be held on November 16, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Maiocco/recording secretary