

Georgetown County Watercolor Society

January 7, 2026 Minutes

9:30am Social time

10:00am Call to Order by Brew Hellman

1. ***Introduction of new members*** - Barbara Kozlowski and Marcia Litchfield.
2. ***Treasurer's Report*** - Brian Zell (*Kelly Gibson*)- The current balance with pluses and minuses throughout the month is \$5340.38. Kelly collected checks and cash for Brian as he was out-of-town. The \$40 dues are still being collected.
3. ***Secretary's Report*** - Kelly Gibson - The minutes of the December 3, 2025 meeting were motioned to be accepted, Sharon H. motioned, Jodi H. seconded.
4. ***Workshop Report*** - Lori Wilson -
 - ◆ The David Rankin was a success. He took time with different steps and processes. He has his own style of teaching. Would like any type feedback painters have.
 - ◆ Future spring workshops:
 - * Lisa Pope, March 2nd and 3rd, "Glass work with reflective and bounced light". Please let Lori and Brew know if you are interested. It will be \$240 and hours are 9:30am-4:00pm. Lisa emailed Lori and Brew the info, materials and drawing.
 - * Karen Schaff - Late Spring/fall, "Glowing Skin Portrait", on May 18th and 19th. At least 30 days beforehand, there will be a zoom meeting about the workshop, for everyone to get up to speed. She will be available for critique afterwards for those who participate if drawing isn't finished.
5. ***Publicity Report*** - Jodi Hudson -
 - ◆ Discussion of the February 14th - 27th Art Show, Painting the Past, "Pawleys Memories in Watercolor. Two or three paintings per person, water media, 10% goes to the Town of Pawleys Island. Volunteers will be needed to work, 10:00am - 4:00pm. There will be two shifts during the day. Brew sent around the sign-up sheet. You can even make cards and prints. The GCWS did well at the Christmas Shoppe.
 - ◆ The GCWS directory is housed on the website. Check with Jodi if you have difficulty getting on website. It is in the private section only for members.

6. **Program Report - Karen Joyce and Tina Proctor** - Discussion about a nominating committee and moving from January to September, after the summer break to then open the floor to recruit the next year's board. All voted and approved Jodi Hudson to be Vice President, completing the board of Brew, Brian and Kelly. Thank you, Jodi! Organizing and managing the art shows is a lot for one person. Many members raised their hands that they are willing to help when needed. Give your name, number and email to Brew.

- ◆ The February meeting will be Ed Rana, photographer and Cathy Marinoff, Graphic Designer, will speak of matting and framing and the new business out of the house in Litchfield.
- ◆ March is open as of now.
- ◆ April will be Kathy Maranoff, about setting up a website, simple or more advanced, most cost effective, domain name, etc.
- ◆ May will be the popular Beach Wash with Keith.

7. **Old Business:**

- a. Please remember to wear nametags at the monthly meetings. Let Kelly know if you need a nametag and/or discount card. If you are not getting an email, please let Brew know.
- b. Society paying for coffee basket. On workshop days, please remember to donate for coffee.

8. **New Business:**

- a. There is still an opportunity to sell work - If you are interested contact Donna Mills at 803-995-0708, the new manager of Delta Pharmacy, next to Food Lion. She is excited about displaying local artists artwork. If so, bring your own materials to hang your work. No commission will be taken on sale of artwork. Make sure your information is on back of work - your name, phone number, name of work and price of artwork.
- b. Many of the members displayed their artwork at the Waccamaw Library. Make sure you remember to pick up your artwork this month.
- c. Ways and Means Committee - Nancy Panfili, Jody Hudson, Brian Zell, Paula Robertson and Jennifer O'Donnell and Brew Hellman attendee. Grants information was passed out the November meeting. Sharon Bogan has is willing to help with writing the grants. February 4th after monthly meeting will be the first meeting at the Litchfield Country Club.

9. **Reminder** - Wednesday paint together - 10-11:30paint, 11:30-12 critique, lunch and then more time to paint. Sign up for lunch ASAP you arrive so lunch is ready by 12:00pm. If you plan to paint after monthly meetings, make sure you order your lunch beforehand. You need to be a member to paint on Wednesdays. The painting group does paint through the summer months.

10. **Birder Event** - The Chamber of Commerce wanted the GCWS to participate again during the birding event. Remember to donate your bird cards.

11. Dues are due in January 2026. The amount is \$40.00.

12. Thank you to Keith Meiere for his most generous donation of \$3,000!!!

Next meeting date is Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at Litchfield Country Club

9:30am - 10:00am Social time 10:00am Meeting begins.