

**Silverton Art Association  
Minutes for August 17, 2010**

**Board Members present:** Moises Roisen, Bernadette Mele ,Frank Mele, Dave Strand, Guillermo Avina, Jan Prowse, Joe Craig, Trish Sorgen. **Staff:** Connie Shultz, Sylvia Halsey.

**Not Present:** Anne Barber-Shams, Dave Steinberg, Eadie Anelli, Kathryn Bennett.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was passed to approve the Minutes

**Reports of Officers:**

**President:** Moises explained that tonight's meeting was called because of a lack of a quorum last week. He suggested that the position of Vice President of the Board be delayed until the General Meeting of the SAA in December.

Moises asked the Board to consider a change in Sylvia's position as Education Coordinator. He asked Sylvia to present her proposal. She described issues arising from shortage of space, computers, and phones and suggested that Stacy, by job sharing, could handle Tuesdays and Thursdays when Connie is off. This would provide five days of open Gallery and manned office with no other expense if she shares her income with Stacey. She would spend more efficient hours with oversight of the Education Program and less time in the office. Stacey would be paid for fourteen hours. The remaining six hours would cover Sylvia's time spent with coordination of art programs and grant research and application. The reduction in salary would suit Sylvia's need to earn less income and, with Stacey picking up much of what Sylvia has been doing, provide better coverage of office and gallery needs. Trish said a new job description should be written clarifying the job split. Although temporary, and best use of funds and personnel, it should be spelled out. It was agreed that the job should be re-described and the motion to pass this proposal was made by Frank and seconded by Jan. Joe cautioned that it should be considered temporary. It was pointed out that many non-profits require temporary adaptations to accommodate needs of the moment. Until such time that the organization is sufficiently viable to provide office upgrades and space, the Board agreed that this would be a suitable solution. Upcoming dates for grant reviews and acceptance are promising.

Moises pointed out the need to reevaluate the Gallery, looking for a new director, as Kathryn has moved and will complete the September, and prepare the October show. A committee to draw up guidelines and review management was requested. Jan Prowse, Dave Strand, and Guillermo offered to make up the group. Joe Craig he could help, if needed, but would be away the next two months. The committee plans to meet shortly. Gallery calendar, guidelines and security are on the agenda.

Sylvia has arranged a meeting with Andy Bellando, Superintendent of Silver Falls School District, to discover what SAA can provide for children art-wise on early release days. A calendar on-line is now available to the community thanks to the efforts of Stacey Higby. Sylvia presented a time-line of possible events for the education arm of the Association.

Trish is searching for a venue for the Winter Art Auction. Oregon Garden Resort is not available for the Saturday date. Sunday is not a good day for the event. The Senior Center and other venues are being reviewed. Trish asked that artists come forward with work that can be auctioned at this fund-raising event. She also requested items other than art that might be used in the silent auction that night.

Ulan Moore will be painting the poster for the Auction. Reports from the festival will be presented at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m

Respectfully submitted

Bernadette Mele, Secretary

