NMWS Board Meeting Minutes  
Date: November 1, 2014

Executive Committee  Members Present

President: Steve Maize  
1st VP: Susan Weeks - Programs  
2nd VP: Tina Stallard - Exhibitions  
3rd VP Membership: Joyce Rapp (Absent)  
File Manager: Woody Duncan  
Secretary: Acting: Karin Cook  
Treasurer: Woody Duncan  
Past President: Toni Seidel

Standing Committee  Members Present

S.C. President: Mayanna Howard (A-lives in Las Cruces)  
Alternate Spaces: Vacant  
History: Vacant  
Librarian: Ray & Jan Prudhomme (P)  
Newsletter: Laurel Weathersbee (A-lives in Las Cruces)  
Paint-Outs: Karin Cook (P)  
Permanent Collection: Karin Cook (P)  
Public Relations Woody Duncan (P)  
Signature Members Chairperson: Mary Oelschlaeger (A), Andrea Nichols (P)  
Social: Lynne Peckinpaugh (P)  
Workshops: Barbara McGuire (P)  
Supplies/Paper: Ray Prudhomme (P)  
WFWS Delegate: Toni Seidel (P)

Subcommittees: Present  
Equipment: Barbara McGuire (P) acting for Jim Terry (A)  
Website: Barbara McGuire (P)  
MW Co-Chairs: Tina Stallard (P), Laura Speer (A)  
MW File Manager: Ruth Vreeland (P)  
Book-Keeper/Paid Accountant: Janeille Salazar (P)

The NMWS Board Meeting was called to order at 9:10 am

OLD BUSINESS:  
President’s Report: At the request of Steve Maize, Board members gave the following reports.  
Programs: Susan Weeks - reported that next month's program will be the NMWS Holiday Party with the painting exchange. She asked for suggestions from Board members for programs for 2015. Ray Prudhomme suggested doing a program on how to do painting surfaces of the alternate presentation
type. Barbara suggested that anyone with program suggestions should communicate with directly with Susan.

Workshops: Barbara McGuire - said the Lian Quan Zhen workshop went well. Registration for the next workshop with Eric Wiegardt will open at noon on Sunday, Nov. 16. Mr. Wiegardt will do a demo at the May meeting (5/4). The workshop will follow on 5/5, 5/6, 5/7 and 5/8. The opening reception will be on 5/9. Cost for the workshop will be slightly higher than recent workshops, due to travel costs and Mr. Wiegardt’s fees.

Exhibitions: Tina Stallard - announced that 17 paintings had sold at the NMWS Fall Exhibition. Everyone was grateful for the work Tina did as Exhibition Chair. Laura Speer’s efforts on organizing and preparing food for the reception were also praised.

Permanent Collection: Karin Cook - reported she had written a thank you note to Lian Quan Zhen for the donation of his painting to the PC. She also noted Teresa Youngblood has 4 paintings from the PC to repair and Lian Quan Zhen’s to frame.

Paint-Out: Karin Cook - announced the next paint out is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 8, 2015. It will be at 10 am at the Rio Grande Nature Center, where there is good inside space as well as outside space for painters.

Exhibitions: Tina Stallard - asked that we decide at a later date what donation we will give to the NMAL.

Steve Maize noted the current exhibition at the museum (Masterpieces from the École des Beaux-Arts, Paris) might be an interesting place to hold a Paint Out. Karin said she would check with Andrew Connors of the museum to see what arrangements could be made. The exhibit closes January 4, 2015.

Paper & Library: Ray Prudhomme - noted there was a limited quantity of 140# arches paper. He will order more. Also the cost of the 300# will probably go up from $10 to $11 soon, so those best wanting that paper should purchase it in the near future.

Masterworks: Tina Stallard told us that members could sign up now for the Ken Hosmer workshop to be given at the Masterworks Exhibition in April 2015. Registration will be opened to non-members at the end of December.

Social: Lynne Peckinpaugh - will be overseeing refreshments at the Holiday Party to be held at the museum on Dec. 7. Members of the Manzano Mesa Thursday afternoon painting group have agreed to coordinate the Holiday Party. Lynne created a sign up sheet to be circulated next at the General members’ meeting. Barbara gave a short description of what happens at the party.

Signature Members’ Group: Andi Nichols explained plans for exhibiting Signature Members’ Group (SMG) work in the (typically) unused SE room in the EXPO-NM Fine Arts Gallery at our Fall and/or Spring shows. Also, at some point there will be digital images projected of members’ work.

Membership: Joyce Rapp - was not present but Barbara noted membership renewal fees should be paid by the end of the calendar year. From now on the information that has appeared in the printed directory will only appear on
the NMWS web site. It was said that the Signature group is to receive $10 from every $40 renewal of those in the SMG.

**Newsletter**: Laurel Weathersbee – lives in Las Cruces was not present. As editor of the “Brushstrokes” newsletter, she asked to have us reminded that all news & content is to reach her by the 13th of each month. Starting January 1, 2015 there will no longer be a printed newsletter.

Steve Maize reminded us that following the General members’ meeting today, the first of what are expected to be several meetings on clarifying the Exhibition Guidelines for the conventional and alternative presentation categories, will take place. The first meeting is where we are located.

**New Business**

Steve Maize announced that Rex Barron reported that the RGAA does not wish to sell the audio system they have lent to NMWS, on several occasions. Therefore, we will need to purchase our own, since the old one we’ve used does not work well. Rex has agreed to help with the selection. Ray Prudhomme motioned that the Board authorize the purchase of a new system by Rex and Barbara, though not to exceed $700. Woody Duncan seconded the motion. The vote of approval appeared unanimous.

Steve Maize also announced that Carol Cook Larson volunteered to become our Recording Secretary! Welcome to the Board and thanks to Carol.

Meeting adjourned 10 am (without a formal motion)

Minutes Recorded and Submitted by: Karin Cook