

ACCC BOARD MEETING - OCTOBER 24, 2009 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM. A roll call established a quorum with only Westbrook Village Camera not in attendance. Also present was Steve Dell of Club Camera in Tucson.

Minutes were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Warthman, treasurer, reported a balance of \$7,007.57 as of October 23, 2009. So far, the club's income for the year is \$3,403.50 and expenditures are \$3,733.94 leaving expenditures over income at \$330.44. The Spring Round Up resulted in a net profit of \$514.05. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Round Up: Gaither Randall reported that plans are progressing well. His only concern is the number of prints to be displayed. The schedule for the November 21 Round Up was discussed. George Lepp will be presenting his program that will take up the whole day except for the committee announcements and winners in the digital and print competitions. The winners will only stand at their seat and not take the time to go up and receive the awards. Saguaro will be presenting their first "Best Nature Story" medal at the Fall Round Up. This award is defined as the digital image portraying the "best nature story, not limited to big game." It was determined that we should be able to stay on schedule.

Bernardine reported that 192 persons have already registered. Members should get their reservations in as soon as possible since there is only room for 250 persons. Bernardine also reported on the number of persons attending from each club as well as the menu for the luncheon.

Honors: Gaither, chairman reported that the committee made up of John Beamer, Stan Bormann, Doris McCrossin, Larry Durbin, Dale Keiser and himself have been in communication and will finalize their decisions following this board meeting.

Nominations: Larry Durbin reported for Nancy Sams, President, Stan Bormann; President-Elect, David Erickson; Treasurer, Jim Warthman; Secretary, Bernardine Ginsberg. The Board will vote at the short meeting during Round Up. Because of work commitments, Jim felt that he may be hurting the Council by not being as timely as he should be and offered to withdraw his name as treasurer. The Board felt that this was not necessary and gave him a vote of confidence.

State Fair: Doris McCrossin expressed concern that very few members of ACCC are participating in the Arizona State Fair Competition. A discussion followed. It was suggested that there needs to be better communication to club members about the event. When information becomes available on the competition, it should be forwarded to both the Chronicle Editor and the Webmaster for distribution to the clubs through our newsletter and web site.

Grand Canyon International: ACCC still does not have a Chair for this competition. After some discussion, Larry Durbin suggested that a committee be formed to address the issue since he would like to see it continue.

Publications: Bernardine first reported that the deadline for the next Chronicle would be February 25 but after the date of the Spring Round Up was announced, the date was changed. The new deadline for articles is January 25, 2010. Bernardine requested that the results of the Fall Round Up be forwarded to her as soon as available.

Wed Site: Wayne Moore reported that he does most of the web site work on Sundays so when sending him information for the site, take that into consideration. A discussion followed concerning uploading winning images on the web site. The maker would have to sign a release to post the images and copyrights should be included. This will be studied further.

OLD BUSINESS:

Digital Projector: There still is no decision on what projector to purchase. Larry explained that five issues have to be taken into consideration: ambient light, color temperature of the bulb, distance to screen, surface of screen and device (laptop) providing the image. After much discussion it was decided that we still do not have enough information to make a decision. A motion was made by: Stan Bormann, seconded by John Frelich to: *table the decision on purchasing a digital projector to a later date.* The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Competition Judges: Bill brought up a suggestion that had been made to have a pool of competition judges to be available to the clubs as needed. A discussion followed with some ideas being considered such as reimbursing judges for gas mileage and training for judges. A motion was made by John Frelich, seconded by Harald Johnsen for: ***“each club rep submit a list of persons from their club who would be willing to be part of the competition judges pool.”*** Motion passed unanimously. This list is to be submitted to both the President and the Competition Secretary.

Spring Round Up: The Spring Round Up date has been changed to March 27, 2010 with the Board Meeting on February 27, 2010. This was done to accommodate a Canon Explorer of Light presenter. The plan is to have a major speaker at one of the two Round Ups each year. The Spring Round Up speaker will be Adam Jones from Kentucky. It will be held at the Sun Dial Rec Center in Sun City with Saguario as the host club. For the 2010 Fall Round Up, Sun Lakes will be the host.

Suggestions: Stan Bormann had requested input from the membership on what ACCC can do for the clubs. He had two suggestions: a photo critiquing service on line for the clubs and possibly a forum for idea sharing once a year. Workshops were also suggested.

John Frelich: John has requested that when naming images to keep the titles to two words. Also, consideration has to be given to limiting the size of digital images submitted. This will be discussed further in the Spring.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernardine Ginsberg, Secretary