

ACCC BOARD MEETING – FEBRUARY 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order by David Erickson at 10:00

Quorum was established with Club Camera Tucson, Desert Viewfinders, Heritage Highlands, Rim Country and Skyline Camera Club absent. The minutes from the October 12, 2012 meeting were approved as distributed.

FINANCIAL STATUS

- For fiscal year 2012, the club had income of \$11,874 and expenses of \$12,917 for a net loss of \$1,043. This included a one-time expense of \$2,500 for the purchase of the digital projector. The Fall 2012 Roundup netted a loss of \$293.
- Dick has obtained a Tax ID number for the club and will be required to submit annual financial reports to the IRS. Failure to do so for 3 years will result in the loss of our tax status.
- Membership dues – APS, Club Camera Tucson, Desert Viewfinders, Heritage Highlands, Skyline, Saguaro and Wickenburg have not paid their dues for 2013. APS may be disbanding. Wickenburg is not sure of their status. They have fewer than 10 members and are now part of the Wickenburg Art Club.
- Paypal – The current balance of the Paypal account is \$550. Use of Paypal for accepting payment for digital entries has been successful. There was discussion about using Paypal to accept payment for Roundup registrations. Discussion revolved around fees associated with the Paypal system and tracking of payments. Tom Ginsberg has investigated and found a program available for \$25 which has a database and can generate forms. John Frelich moved to approve the purchase of this program for evaluation and Joe Webster seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ROUNDUP STATUS

- Spring 2013 WVP, SCF
Arrangements are being finalized with Sun City Festival Rec Center and Restaurant for the Roundup. So far 54 registrations have been received. Approximately 700 digital images have been received with many more expected before the end of the day. The agenda will be finalized when the digital entries are complete and Kerrick James will be contacted by Gary Mynar to finalize the presentation. John Frelich volunteered to let Kerrick use his Apple laptop for his presentation so it could be calibrated to the projector in advance. Hunt's Photo and maybe Sigma Lenses will be attending the Roundup.
- Fall 2013 Saguaro, APS
Will be held at Sundial Rec Center in Sun City on Nov 9. Discussion revolved around the speaker. Joe Webster suggested a presentation on portrait lighting by Bruce Roscoe sponsored by Westcott Lighting. Larry Durbin suggested Colleen Miniuk-Sperry. She will be out of state for 6 months, but may be back in time to speak at the Fall Roundup. If not, she may be available for the Spring 2014 Roundup. Rotating subject is Silhouettes.
- Spring 2014 SCW
Will be held at Stardust Theater in Sun City West. The tentative date is Mar 8, 2014. Initial planning has started with Chairmen identified. Rotating subject is Street Scenes.

COMPETITION – The only official source of rules is the ACCC Website.

- Nature Definition – We use the PSA definition with addendums. Discussion followed that we should remain as close to the PSA definition as possible. The definition will be updated for the Fall Roundup.
- Strokes/Borders – PSA allows strokes, but not decorative borders. It was proposed to allow strokes for all categories and not specify size or color. Just make the members aware that the stroke may influence their score if it detracts from the image. The purpose of a stroke is to separate the image from the background. Anything more is at their own risk. We may publish an article in the Chronicle.
- Club of the Year Award – At the Fall 2012 Meeting, Tom Foley proposed increasing the criteria for determining Club of the Year be increased from top 5 scores/Roundup to the top 10 scores/Roundup. The discussion was tabled until this meeting. Various options were discussed and it was decided to use the top 11 digital scores and top 7 print scores per Roundup to determine the Club of the Year. This proposal passed unanimously.
- Future Rotating Subjects – The Competition Committee needs to develop a list of the future Rotating Subjects.
- Prints – Ella will edit the label to remove the year and let the entrant fill it in so the labels don't need to be edited every year.
- Digital – The on-line entry system is working well. The Co-Chairs have access to the Paypal system so they are able to get the information they need immediately rather than having to rely on the Treasurer to supply them with reports. They currently have 700+ entries for the Roundup and feel that they can do the entire slide presentation in the morning session. Results will be posted on the Website.
- Club Awards – The Print & Digital Chairs need to notify the club reps of the award winners ASAP so the awards can be engraved.
- Grand Canyon Competition – The system is working and 110 entries have been received.

LEADERSHIP FORUM – Joe Webster reported that the Forum will be held in Prescott on Oct 5, 2013. The Forum is open to all members of all clubs and we want to increase the participation. Potential subjects include: attracting new members, getting club news into the newspaper, competition preparation, mentoring, new club formation, and working with schools.

OUTREACH – Larry McDonald reviewed the PSA youth program. We discussed various potential youth programs like youth competitions, youth workshops, clubs sponsoring school programs, allowing youths to have free club memberships, etc. These could include both high school and junior college programs. One advantage may be the inclusion of Canon Explorers of Light. Additional discussion is required on this subject.

HONORS COMMITTEE – Bernardine Ginsberg distributed the new nomination forms and instructions. Forms need to be submitted by Sep 15 and awards are given at the Fall Roundup. The committee is comprised of 6 members with 3 year terms. Two members have terms expiring this year and we need volunteers for replacements.

ETHICS COMMITTEE – Nothing to report.

CHRONICLE – David Erickson requested that the publication date be moved forward one month to allow more time for the information to be available for the Roundup. Bernardine reported on the difficulty getting the information around the Xmas holidays and agreed to try to move it up 2 weeks.

WEBSITE – Tom Ginsberg has done an outstanding job of updating and improving the Website. David Erickson proposed a \$500 one-time award for his efforts. The motion was unanimously passed. David will compose a Thank You letter to accompany the award.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Nancy Sams announced that APS is disbanding and she is resigning from ACCC. We need a new Nominating Committee. David Erickson would like to change the name of President Elect to Vice President. This will require a change of the bylaws. Gary Mynar agreed to spend one more year as Secretary, but not President Elect.