

**MINUTES OF ACCC BOARD MEETING**  
**Saturday, October 10, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Bernardine Ginsburg, President, at Sundial Recreation Center in Sun City at approximately 10 am. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established by Secretary, Shirley Bormann. The clubs in attendance were: Camera Guild, Grand Photos, Phoenix, Photography West, Prescott, Saguro, Sedona, Sun Lakes, Trilogy, West Valley and Westbrook Village. Those clubs not in attendance were Rim Country and Sun City Festival.

Approval of minutes - The minutes had previously been submitted to board members and it was asked that a motion to approve the previous minutes be approved. Cheri Kennedy of Camera Guild made a motion to approve which was seconded by Maryann Rapp of Trilogy and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report – Dick Soderholm said the bank balance was \$9,254 and is getting to be a nice sized account. Said we might want to get speakers or make purchase. The last roundup generated \$463.50. Said that before the new treasurer takes over, a new Paypal and email account will have to be opened since they are all in his name. He can't change names so will have to cancel the accounts. Need to go to the bank to add signatures. After all receipts, Maryann will get things set up in time for Roundup. E-postcard with the IRS will need to be filed.

President's comments – Bernardine Ginsberg said this was her last meeting as president and thanked people for their cooperation. Her term is up December 1. She had one large problem during her term – no Projected Images Chairperson for competition this fall. Previous chair said it was too much and no one stepped forward. It's very important to continue with competition – need clubs to volunteer, pitch in, and make it work. She specifically thanked the following individuals who stepped up to help: Web page – Howard Zatulove (Camera Guild); John Obradovich, President of Photography West and for Photography West for providing site, equipment and workers for the judging; Getting judges – Shirley Bormann (Grand Photos), lunches Bernardine Ginsberg (Photography West); Coordinator – Arnold Becker (Grand Photos).

GCI (Grand Canyon Intl) - Bernardine said ACCC will not be participating in Grand Canyon competition this year.

Nominating Chair – Stan Bormann said that he checked the webpage for the bylaws but they were not on the webpage. (Said they should be on webpage.) He had a copy of what he thinks are the last bylaws dated March 1, 2008 which require that the candidates nominated by the Nominating Committee or from the floor shall be elected by a majority of Directors voting at a Board Meeting concurrent with the Annual Meeting in odd numbered years (the Roundup). (If we want this to change, will need to have amend the bylaws.) The slate of officers are:

President - Joe Webster, (Prescott)

President-Elect – John Livoti, (Sun Lakes)  
Treasurer – Maryann Rapp, (Trilogy)  
Secretary – Shirley Bormann, (Grand Photos)

Bernardine said it was decided last year or so not to have a board meeting at roundup. It becomes trivial unless we have contested election. Need to put a committee together to change bylaws. Stan said need a motion to move that the Board vote on the slate of candidates and approve contingent on no one else being nominated which would result in a contested election.

**Don Price made motion, seconded by Larry Lindner;** Tom Foley asked for clarification. What is contested – if someone else nominated on floor or Roundup – would have to be more formal vote. **All voted in favor; no one opposed.** Bernardine will call brief meeting of reps at Roundup to elect the officers.

Honors committee – Ella Schreiber (Photography West) is out of town. Her committee has finished and awards will be made at roundup. Bernardine suggested to get your clubs involved in nominating people for honors. We want people nominated for honors who are involved in their club and ACCC.

Roundup Report– Tom Foley, Phoenix said did not have many details since Cindy Marple was in charge but will have Costco breakfast, and caterer arranged for lunch. Had lots of volunteers and wanted to know when their club can get in to Sundial to set up. Cherie Kennedy said about 7 am.

Program - Bernardine said the program speaker is Steven Johnson, Canon Explorer of Light. We're fortunate to get him.

New club in ACCC – welcomed Stephanie Brand and John Gafford and Sedona Camera Club to council.

Student Attendance discussion - Canon requires that students be invited at no charge (if they provide Explorer of Light.) Students are invited on ACCC website. Students will have to show student ID and lunch will not be included. Camera Guild (Howard Zatulove and Cheri Kennedy) said their club invited students from Peoria and should have 6 students from Peoria coming. Camera Guild will provide lunch for the students in the Photo Club so the students won't have to walk elsewhere for lunch. Howard and Cheri will be with the students during lunch. They will have permission slips and a teacher will be getting a van from the high school. She requested that teacher who is an adult escort them and asked that ACCC pay for teacher's lunch. We need to have them and all people register (there is place for student) on registration form. They should have name tags saying "Student" on name tag. **A motion was made by Richard Flinton (Camera Guild) to pay for teacher's lunch with ACCC funds and seconded by Don Price (Photography West) and was unanimously approved.**

Doorprizes - Have five doorprizes from AZ Highways, (two Arizona Highways calendars, a desk calendar and two \$100 gift certificates). Joe Webster is donating two tickets to Arizona Sonoran Museum and an autographed copy of Colleen Miniuk-Sperry's wildflower book.

Spring Roundup – Grand Photos was supposed to host Spring Roundup, but switched with Festival and West Valley so Spring Roundup will be in Sun City Festival 2016. The facility is reserved for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat in March. Bruce Taubert will be the speaker and came up with 3 ideas: Macro, Stacking and Zen photography (an esoteric artsy form of photography). Asked which topics he should present. Tom Foley suggested that Macro and stacking go together so he could combine in one session. Dave Dise of West Valley relayed information and said lunch will be at Indigo Grill at Festival. They will have more tables coming in for next Roundup than last time. Target cost is \$25. Don't have absolute number. Photo displays will be set up day before.

ACCC Dues – Don't forget to pay \$20 dues. Checks should be sent to **Dick Soderholm, (17421 N Horseshoe Drive, Surprise, AZ 85374)**. Bernardine will put notice in newsletter as well.

Competition secretary – Jim Warthman thanked competition chairs, Howard Zatulove, Cherie Kennedy and Arnie Becker to make competition a reality for fall. There is a need for a Chair for projected images. Traditionally Chair has stepped up, organized competition, got judges, etc, often in cooperation with chair's own club. Howard Zatulove suggested in reality we're not asking a person to chair but we're asking a club to chair because it's an onerous job. Suggested possibility of rotating in line with Roundup – where club steps up and says they have the Roundup. Because of numbers of digital images and prints, it's a tough job.

Discussion about software to run digital competition. Howard explained that front end designed by someone who recently passed (Howard has access to but many issues). Back end software designed by someone else and judging results are input to Proshow Gold. Arnie added that software is capable of generating slideshow but he working at a major disadvantage because he didn't know who anyone was. He's working with Howard. (Stan mentioned that Howard is now in charge of entire PSA International Exhibition as well.) There are about 800 projected entries.

Competition rules – can talk about here but can also dialog on Googlegroup – will be updating rules. Can make suggestions on ACCC Googlegroup.

Discussions about judges entering same competition they are judging – Said it might be possible for judge to enter but refrain from judging own image (where other two judges scores were combined instead). If we use outside judges, we lose best participants typically. Various suggestions made. **Don Price made motion that Judges cannot compete in the area in which they are judging, Tom Foley seconded, all approved.**

Color and mono – same image? PSA has taken position that a color and mono version of an image are two different titles. Question should ACCC address this in Rules and should they be

considered two images? There was no consensus on the question and this remains an open discussion.

Rotating category – list goes thru 2017. Need to add more rotating categories – asks club members for suggestions and shoot them in to ACCC Googlegroups. Will put together in a competition committee meeting in December.

Print competition – Cherie and Howard said there were 487 prints to judge. Howard asked whether there was desire on part of the representatives to have the process of payment linked to a spreadsheet like the digital entries. Discussion: concerns that when entering digitally, the act of entering images and paying were one thing. With prints, the submission of the prints themselves are a different thing. Payments and entries may not match what club reps bring in. It was mentioned that in PSA competition, it is not unusual to enter online, then get an email back with list of prints which are included when entering the prints.

Projected images – Arnie Becker thanked all who stepped up to support him. Did identify one issue that concerned him – when electronics do not play nice together – concern, taking projector, computer and audio at facility and main sure everything is working nicely together. ACCC has projector, Arnie coming with his own computer and made arrangements with audio facility to try out (at the facility). Arnie just took on the job at Grand Photos and is not prepared to chair next year or next roundup.

Ethics Committee – Harold Johnsen said no report. He needs to be informed if there is an issue.

Leadership Forum – Joe Webster said it is set for March 19 (week after roundup) in Prescott, 10-5, location not set yet. Entertainment program for lunch and social hour (Wild West to Wild Hollywood). Program not set in stone but will be using social media for inter/intra communications with clubs, how to use iPad and android system apps in photography.

Newsletter – Bernardine said need all information by December 15 so she can get out first week in January. Board meeting in February.

PSA Challenge – Howard Zatulove – Said new person took over and rules changed. He has no desire to get involved in anything not sustainable. Said PSA runs a number of competitions in addition to youth. There is also a competition for councils called Councils' Challenge. All councils can submit images against other councils, like an interclub competition. Only way to do it here is to involve people who won roundups. Tabled for now.

Old business - none

New business:

Liability insurance – has ACC ever had liability insurance? Discussion of what clubs are doing. ACCC is a social organization, not for profit. It was decided not to refile with the Arizona Corporation Commission. We file an epostcard with the IRS annually.

Purchase of a computer – have over \$9,000 in treasury. Do we want to purchase a computer to go with projector? Arnie asked if ACCC owns a computer. Discussion – will be used two times a year. Technology changes so fast. Would need to keep track of where it is. Bernardine keeps monitor at her house. Joe Webster said he has spare laptop he will donate to club that is calibrated to Prescott's projector; will calibrate to this projector so can use for ACCC. Bernardine thanked Joe and suggested that the president of ACCC ride herd on the projector and computer.

Bernardine will get a committee together to rewrite bylaws and send updated bylaws to Tom to put on website.

Discussion of surplus money in treasury (from some Roundups and Grand Canyon Circuit) – Suggestion made to subsidize food at future Roundups to encourage more attendance.

Competition Rules – question about rules. New people have hard time figuring out how to enter images online. Suggested that Rules should be on more than one page. Make font larger. Discussion about where competition rules are. Arnie said to encourage people **not** to use Internet Explorer to enter images, anything but Internet Explorer.

Before adjourning meeting, Bernardine again thanked everyone for their cooperation and wished Joe all the best. Will still be around doing newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Bormann, Secretary

