

MINUTES OF ACCC MEETING
February 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Joe Webster, President, at Sundial Recreation Center in Sun City at 10 am. Roll call was taken and each of the club representatives was asked to give his/her name. A quorum was established by Secretary, Shirley Bormann. The 12 clubs in attendance were: Camera Guild, Grand Photos, Phoenix, Photography West, Prescott, Saguaro, Sedona, Sun City Festival, Sun Lakes, Trilogy, West Valley and Westbrook Village. Missing was Rim Country.

Minutes – Shirley Bormann said the minutes were sent out last fall and no changes had been made but distributed copies of minutes to each of the club representatives and will ask for approval through ACCC Google Group.

Treasurer's report –Maryann Rapp reported that the current balance is \$8,818.45 and had Paypal revenue from Roundup of \$1272.63 so far. A tax return was filed with the IRS. She reported that a one day insurance policy from K&K for \$130 for the Roundup was procured and said that dues from all club but Sun Lakes and Grand Photos were received. *(Since then Sun Lakes payment was received and it turns out that Grand Photos dues had been paid early so all dues are now paid.)* Craig Watts, President of Sun City Festival where the next roundup will take place in March, said no one there had asked for insurance to his knowledge. A discussion was held about insurance and the need or not for it. It was questioned whether we had to pay for the meeting space today. Cherie Kennedy (Camera Guild) said no that we are guests, that their club paid \$2 per person.

Program Chair - Ella Schreiber reported that our speaker for the spring roundup is Bruce Tauber. She said that she found a speaker for the fall as well. His name is Ken Sklute and he has been honored as a Canon Explorer of Light. He has 38 years of diverse experience and 32 of the 38 years he was voted photographer of the year in New York Arizona and California. He is going to make a guest visit to Photography West and she has invited a few of the neighboring clubs to hear him speak there as well. His website is www.serendipityvisuals.com.

Competition Chair – Jim Warthman - **Prints** - reported that there were 366 prints turned in, down from 442 in the past. Discussion about why number of prints dropping, more work, expense, etc. Suggestion by Howard Zatulove that if first and second place print winners and perhaps other high winners as well could be exhibited in public place, like a museum, or places like Glendale, airport space, etc., it may be more motivating to people to make prints.

Display of prints - Dick Lund asked if the categories of prints could be exhibited next to each other so people can look at all monos, or all natures together, etc. Said had numerous complaints from members of his club (Saguaro) that in last two years, categories have been all over the place. Craig Watts (Sun City Festival) said that their club would help display them by category. Howard said the answer is that it takes time, you need people. Said other considerations are putting into categories – Accepted,

Honorable Mentions, not accepted. It was suggested that putting into the correct categories is most important.

Display Easels - Dick Lund also pointed out that the display easels were too small for 16x20s. Said they are constantly falling over - need to be made larger. He has larger ones - easily fit larger size. To Foley commented that some of the stands are falling apart. Joe is going to research how much stands would cost and get back with cost. Craig Watts said at the end of the last roundup, his club picked up the old stands. Joe asked that he be informed of the number of stands that they have. Maryann suggested that Jim Warthman send Sun City Festival the number of images in each category for space planning.

Projected images – Howard Zatulove who collected the projected images said there were 869. A comment was made that they had some members contact them who had some problems entering digitally. Howard said if they had emailed him (his email address was on the entry page), he would have corrected it. Asked to have the person/s who tried entering to contact him with problems. Said there is still time to correct. Said there were very few problems.

DVD's of last fall's ACCC Roundup images - Joe Webster said that he has copies of last fall's ACCC images and distributed copies to those who wanted- let him know if you want copy and didn't get one.

Honors Chair – Ella Schreiber asked club rep to go back to their clubs to talk honors up – we need names of their members for potential honorees.

Ethics Chair – Harold Johnsen said he had his first question ever which turned out to be a non-issue.

Chronicle - Bernardine Ginsburg said if your club is doing something interesting, send her an article. Next chronicle comes out Sept 1 so need last two weeks in August. She needs input for the Chronicle.

Nominating Chair – Stan Bormann said there is nothing on nominations.

Outreach chair – discussion that the chair has not been to a meeting or done anything in several years and suggested that his name be removed from roster as chair.

Leadership forum – Joe Webster said it will be on March 19 at 11 am in Prescott at Plaza Bonita Restaurant in Prescott. He will send out another reminder this week so your members can get their \$25 checks in to him payable to ACCC. Will have good meeting, open forum, programs with photo tours of Watson Lake, Wilson Lake (wildlife and rocks) or historic Prescott buildings. It is open to anyone who is a current member of an ACCC club. Said the room will handle 85 people. There will be a Mexican buffet and will break around 4:30 for the photo tours.

Old Business - A question was asked if a family can stop by after lunch to drop by to look at prints? Discussion about timing etc. That the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prints are in the ballroom but the rest of the images should be available for viewing during the day at Sun City Festival. (It varies based on the facility). Should be okay but we don't want to list that people are welcome generally to look at prints because in many facilities it is a problem for club members to get to see all images within their free time. Ella Schreiber said she contacted Dysart High School and invited high school teachers to bring some students to see. If students register in advance, club will pay for lunch. Said we should be trying to do this but it gets very difficult to get commitments etc. It was mentioned that Rim County did something like that – an article in Chronicle about it but Greg(McKelvey) not here to ask.

Prizes at Roundup - Craig Watts asked if any gifts were to be given out. He said his club was told that ACCC would take care of that. Bernardine said that in the past there were several gift certificates given out by Arizona Highways. Joe Webster said he donates a few doorprizes. Said Hunts Camera is not coming out but he would like to see manufacturers represented. It was mentioned that Sigma has a salesman who lives in the area. Bruce Tauber, our speaker, is going to be coming out with a book soon and perhaps we can get him to donate a few of his books. Tempe Camera has given out signed copies of books in the past. Gary Mynar asked who normally gets the prizes. In the past Bernardine did. Bernardine suggested that John Frelich of Photography West be contacted to get Arizona Highways gift certificates. Craig said his club is not going to be soliciting prizes.

New Business – Bernardine Ginsburg again asked for information to be provided to her for the Chronicle from clubs. Shirley Bormann said one of the club presidents sent her their club's website and thought it would be nice to have each club's website listed on the ACCC roster so people can easily peruse what other clubs might be doing. Bernardine said that the clubs' websites are on the ACCC website.

Judging – Tom Foley has need for someone to judge next Saturday night. It was asked what qualifications are necessary for people to judge. Discussion about technical vs impact and composition and how each of the three aspects is worth 3 points. It was pointed out that during judging the judges don't have time to look for each factor separately but they are judged together. PSA judging discussed and PSA Image Analysis Program suggested. Joe said that judging will be on the program on March 19 at the Leadership Forum in Prescott. It was mentioned that it was good when the person running the judging read the definition of the categories before each section so it was fresh to the judges. Shirley Bormann asked for names of people from clubs who might be available to judge for the Judges List she has compiled of judges in the Phoenix area.

Category definitions – some general discussion about creative vs altered reality and definition. Said definition definitely needs to be read to judges before judging because definition requires

The ACCC projector and computer were given to Gary Mynar for use at the Roundup by Joe Webster who maintains it.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Bormann

ACCC Secretary