



ALABAMA DESIGNER/CRAFTSMEN

Meeting Minutes for February 09, 2010

President Kay Basiago called the meeting to order at 6:04.

Attendees were: Kay Basiago, Mimi Boston, Dwight Hostetter, Julia Jones, Terry Martin, Clare Matthews, Barbara Mitchell, Bill Palmer, John Rodgers, Alice Sherrod, Adam Snyder, Laura Stacy, Susie Strauss, Ruth Truett, Molly Voigt, and Vickey Wheeler.

Minutes of the January 11, 2010, meeting were read by Secretary Alice Sherrod. A correction was made: Sloss Furnace was changed to read Sloss Real Estate, and the minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer Dwight Hostetter reported that \$495.00 in dues were received in January and \$360.00 in February. The Huntsville Art League (HAL) was paid \$50.00. Two members paid their HAL show fee of \$10.00 each, and \$10.00 HAL fee was refunded to a member. Balance in the AD/C account as of February 9, 2010, is \$7,094.12.

President Basiago reported that Barbarann Beckett-Gaines is continuing work on updating AD/C's by-laws.

The Executive Board of AD/C approved Barbarann Beckett-Gaines as AD/C's official representative for purposes of negotiating and signing a contract with the Botanical Gardens Women's Club for the 2010 fall show.

A vote was taken to move AD/C's meeting to Tuesday. There was one objection to the change; the motion passed.

Ruth Truitt brought a list of mailings that must be made to get the show on event calendars and in published articles. Since she will not be here for the fall show this year, she would like for someone else to take this on but will continue for the present. The Birmingham News, for example, has a deadline of February 12 in order to make their published event listings. It was also noted that a show chairman must be appointed soon.

President Basiago reported that if the Litebox Gallery show is to proceed there must be a firm commitment to participate of twenty members minimum. If members commit, the show will be held during the month of May, with move-in on May 1 and an opening reception on May 4. Mimi Boston will co-manage with another AD/C volunteer. Costs would be \$45.00/person, which would cover \$800.00 rent and \$100.00 for publicity. If more than twenty people sign up, per person costs would go down. Commitment would include one or two days of work in the gallery, the fee, and the opening reception. Mimi Boston moved that AD/C lease Litebox Gallery for the month of May if twenty artists

commit to the event. Mollie Voigt seconded. The motion was passed without objections.

Laura Stacy reported that Sloss Realty has not made plans for Pepper Place yet. The contract for the AD/C booth is therefore not signed at this time.

President Basiago read the changes to Standards that are proposed by Standards Chairman Vickey Wheeler. These will be e-mailed to all members in order to allow the membership an opportunity to study and comment on proposed changes. President Basiago asked that if there are questions, please e-mail her with them. Mollie Voigt moved that the aforementioned be accepted. John Meyer seconded. The motion will be considered at the March meeting.

Discussion on whether or not to charge a \$10.00 fee for Standards was initiated. The question was to charge or not, and to charge per night or per category. The consensus was that any charge should be per night rather than per category. Vickey Wheeler will add this to the Standards proposal. With the increase in dues, some members felt that there should be no charge at all, while others felt that any additional income would facilitate making things happen in the future. This discussion will continue later.

New Member Clare Matthews introduced herself. She is a weaver who came to the United States from England about two years ago.

President Basiago announced that Steve Adams has added a section for e-mail blasts to AD/C's web site.

It was announced that former long-time member Horace Tucker passed away. He was known for his carousel restorations. His wife, Amanda, does enameling and is still a member of AD/C.

A potted gardenia was sent to Tamara Shadinger to celebrate the birth of her twins.

As of this meeting Treasurer Dwight Hostetter reported that the following members have paid their dues: Kay Basiago, Dwight Hostetter, Dianne Walls, Adam Snyder, Terry Martin, Victoria Moore, Alan Kress, Allison Bohorfoush, Barbara Mitchell, Robert Taylor, Claire Whitmore, Hedi Bowman, Royal Miree, Druscilla Defalque, Steve Adams, Gloria Adams, Pia Cusiak, Amanda Tucker, Julia Jones.

President Basiago announced that programs on the business of art and show displays are being planned. She requested that members e-mail questions and/or comments to her about this. Mimi Boston said that she is interested in knowing more about web sites and how to link to maximize hits. President Basiago advised her that she needed to talk with a computer webmaster for this information and agreed that this is important.

Continuing on this subject, President Basiago emphasized the need for members to send their artwork images and artist statement to Steve Adams for posting on the AD/C

web site.

President Basiago announced that she is working on the possibility of an AD/C show at Cobb Lane Gallery and that it might be a themed show.

John Rogers announced that the deadline for artists to apply to the Montevallo Arts Fest on April 10 has been extended.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.