

MFAA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the Centennial Museum Sheguiandah

OCTOBER 2, 2021

PRESENT: Ivan Wheale, Sue Cairns, Cliff Jewell, Linda Williamson, Pam Jackson, Linda Jack, Paulette Soganich, Karen Rodgers, Marian Barnett, Judy Boyd

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Sue Cairns at 1:10pm

NORTH CHANNEL GALLERY: Not sure if this will be a possible next year because of the logistics of people coming and going out of the same exit. Sue will approach the town to see if they will even consider us having it next year.

NOAA: Sue briefly went over the minutes. Linda has sent out official minutes from the NOAA but it has not yet been sent out to all members.

- Highlights
- the NOAA fees will increase to \$15.00 per year which will increase our fees by \$5.00
 - NOAA wanting to put forwards calendars. Each club will be able to submit one picture by one artist which could be chosen using a lottery system. The calendars will cost \$10.00 to make and will be sold for \$20.00 each. Each club will receive \$5.00 per calendar. The cutoff date is October 31st and won't be printed until next year for the year 2022. Linda will check to see if there is a theme.

Motion: Move to participate in NOAA calendars Moved by Cliff Jewell
Seconded by Marian Barnett

- NOAA wants to cut amount of touring from 11 to 7 shows to cut shipping costs. The thought was to amalgamate MFAA with Elliot Lake and alter every other year for showing with Elliot Lake. It was felt that if our dues are being increased then the shows should not be cut. It was unanimous that we stay with the 11 shows and keep our show here. Linda will notify NOAA of our decision
- Future exhibits: 2022 – Sault Ste Marie
 2023 – Kirkland Lake
 2024 – Burkes Falls
- Christie Pearson Anderson is now a director of the NOAA
- We have two artists selected – Richard Edwards and Sue Lampinen, Congratulations!

CALENDARS: It was brought up that maybe we should investigate making calendars for our MFAA group. Discussion included that we need them for early summer for tourists but was also discussed that locals would probably be interested. Could look at getting Retailers to have and maybe get a fee per calendar for selling.

It was decided to defer to spring and see if people would be interested. Also see how the NOAA calendar is received.

ART TOUR: The decision to have Art Tour would depend on situation with COVID but would follow health guidelines.

Judy will be sending out e-mail to all members for updated pictures of works and bios (long version for Website and short version for Art Tour) so that they can be updated on our MFAA website and for people who are and will be joining the art tour, can be put on our ART TOUR Facebook page.

It was suggested to share with other groups on Facebook. Also, it was suggested that for future shows we could look at a scanned QR bar code that could be scanned by visitors which could go directly to our website so that people could look up and learn more about each artist. If this were to proceed, Cliff said that he could be contacted into setting up.

If Art Tour to go ahead next year, it will be held on July 15, 16 and 17. 2022

TREASURER REPORT: Christie will be sending out to the membership.

NEW BUSINESS:

Artist get together

– Cliff was talking to Sally Assinewai and she suggested that it would be nice to have artists get together to work on current works. Places to get together could include Centennial Museum or Council Chambers in Little Current. Maybe other areas would like to get together in their communities. We could have different workshops or plein air. Further information will be coming in a separate e-mail and to find out who would be interested and on what days.

Motion: To get together to paint

Moved by Cliff Jewell

Seconded by (Cliff will contact Sally)

One Venue Art Show

- Cliff suggested we have an art show maybe at the complex. Sue will send an e-mail to Heidi for a proposal to rent re curling club. May be an option to get a grant or approach to the Lions Club for money for the rent. Could check with LaCloche Art Show re: hangers.

Also suggested a possible waterfront art show maybe during Haweater Weekend. Was suggested to set up a committee. Committee Members: Cliff Jewell, Judy Boyd, Linda Jack, Pam Jackson, and Sue Cairns

MFAA Annual Show

- Marian Barnett put forward that we should have a rep/rep to participate in the hanging of our art for the Annual MFAA Show.

Motion: To have volunteers from the MFAA to participate in the hanging of the Annual Show

Moved by Marian Barnett

Seconded by Cliff Jewell

EASELS FROM THE RED DOG

– Sue mentioned the Red Dog is up for sale and to see if they will be selling their easels, they had for artwork. Sue said she would check with Christie to see if we have some.

Meeting Adjourned: Motioned by Pam Jackson
Seconded by Ivan Wheale