



SRAL Board Meeting, 12-16-2021, 1:00 PM SRAL Studio

Attendees: Sonya Edwards, Incoming President; Cindy Haase, President; Arlene Szypulski, Second Vice-President and Treasurer; John McGraw, Incoming First Vice-President; Jeannie Gustafson, Incoming Second Vice-President; Karen Keim, Secretary; Susan Werner, Mini Workshops Chair.

Action Item(s):

- For the March '22 show, Sonya and Arlene will find and confirm co-chairs.
- Cindy and Sonya will consider the need for 1) an alert system triggered by people entering the SRAL studio and 2) a sign near the door that posts the name of the monitor.

I. Review of SRAL Board Meeting Minutes (All): The board approved the minutes of 11-18-2021.

II. Mini Workshops (Susan Werner): Susan presented a list of mini-workshop ideas for 2022 and asked for clarification and discussion regarding size, frequency, and administration. Sonya noted that the policy set by the board on Nov 6, 2015, gives mini-workshops priority over SIG meetings and always requires a free room for independent studio. Cindy (in charge of the calendar) said that it would be best to hold mini workshops at times when SIGS do not meet (currently on Mondays, Wednesday mornings, and the second and fourth Saturdays). Regarding size, small is better: 10-12 attendees would be appropriate for the large studio room. Mini workshops can be held year-round if there is interest and can be on Zoom—perhaps in the summer. Sue will decide how to register members for workshops using “a simple, consistent method” (Cindy’s suggestion), perhaps limiting each SRAL member to only one workshop in a specific period.

III. Revised Special Interest Group Proposal (Sonya): Debbie Nealy’s proposal for an Oil (OPAL) and Pastel SIG was modified to start at 3pm so that the second and fourth Thursday meeting time changed would not interfere with SRAL Board Meetings or independent work in the Studio. The board approved the revised proposal (12-06-2021). The board discussed whether a SIG leader (e.g., Debbie) should also function as monitor during meetings. Cindy and Sonya clarified that SIGS do not include independent, informal groups of artists who randomly gather in the studio. These informal gathering, which can be displaced by mini-workshops or SIG groups in the Studio will not be listed on the calendar or E-Blast.

IV. 2022 March Exhibition: The board revisited the question of the type of show for March. Cindy reminded the group that we need a balance between juried and open shows. Considering the late date and the fact that members at the last General Meeting indicated a preference for competitive art shows (by 2/3), the board voted unanimously to hold a non-juried (open) competition. Nan Lux has offered to be co-chair, and Marge Burt and Jean Hanson have volunteered to help.

V. Treasurers Report (Arlene): The Treasurer’s Report was approved. Expenses this year will be covered by the money available. Arlene shared that SRAL has received a \$250 donation in memory of Carol Giordano. She is seeking board input on how best to use that money and welcomes ideas.

VI. Vacancies: Sonya handed out The Webmaster Volunteer Agreement as an example of what might help SRAL recruit volunteers for positions. She asked each member of the Board to consider how they would describe their SRAL position. Jeannie Gustafson was voted in as the official Second Vice-President.

Adjourned 2:37pm

Next Meeting: January 27, 1 pm in the SRAL Studio