

September 11, 2006 Friends of Multi Arts Board Meeting

Earline Strohm, vice president, called the meeting to order and called roll. Those present were:

Staci Willis, Sue Baker, Jessica Novak, Judy Rudin, Lynn Schwartz, Sherrill, Lewis, Lou Hale, Carol Fincher, Claire Cline, Marjorie Hammer, and Earline Strohm.

Minutes for July and August were passed out and read individually. They were approved.

Under "old business" the social for September was discussed. Staci is doing the details and decorations. Claire created the orange invitations that were mailed. Earline felt that everyone on our membership list should also be called, so members present at this meeting divided the names. Each member will call his or her list over the weekend. Jessica said the girls that worked for Multi could also make reminder calls for us. Clean up crew for the social will be Debi Maehs and Marjorie Hammer.

Judy will call the Newspress and have the social's time and date put in the "Community Calendar". The website also has the correct time and day, Sept. 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Valerie found a guitar player for the social. The charge is \$30.00. Staci made the motion to okay the Friends to pay this amount, and Carol seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Helen Jordan will be at a table with nametags for everyone present at the social. Karen Dean should be present to collect money for any new memberships.

Claire reminded everyone to bring the recipe for the dish that they bring. These will be eventually included in a cookbook put together by Friends of Multi. Illustrations by Multi artists could be included. Jessica suggested a book binding class to go along with the cookbook.

Lou Hale volunteered to do a demonstration at the November 18<sup>th</sup> annual meeting.

Lou had also given a presentation at the AARP meeting. She had taken examples of some of the work done by different artisans of Multi. Joe Ong's video was presented. Lou said the information was well received.

Feeling that there a lot of missed opportunities to reach present and new members of Friends of Multi, Lou suggested that committee chairpersons come to board meetings. Lou volunteered to head a "pr" committee. Judy said that was her job as vice president. It was decided that Lou and Judy would work together.

Jessica feels that a newsletter going out on a regular basis to members would help keep people informed. Staci said she would format and put the letter together if people would get her the information. Staci said she would call Karen who had originally volunteered to do the newsletter and find out what was happening. A concern was the cost of postage. Jessica said she could include a newsletter when she mailed out class schedules, so then we would not have postage charges. Staci thought she might be able to get a newsletter ready by November.

Jessica also asked everyone to network for Multi Arts teachers. Quilting and watercolor teachers are especially needed. Claire said she would talk to Mike about putting this information on our website. Perks for teachers are \$7.00 an hour and 50% off of classes. Staci asked about lowering gallery commission costs for teachers. Jessica said that although this was a bookkeeping nightmare, she was going to see about changing the commission for teachers back to 25%.

The October 1<sup>st</sup>, "Alias" mask event will have a reception. Food is needed. There will be a reception for the Xmas gallery. This will be a "dress" affair.

Earline reminded everyone to turn in any receipts to the treasurer.

Claire motioned for the meeting to adjourn. Staci seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.