

Art Guild of Orange Park Membership Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2023, Location: Orange Park Library

Meeting was called to order at 6:46 by former President Debbie Cusick, filling in for President Phyllis Renninger. Debbie welcomed new and returning members plus guests. 36 members signed in.

Debbie explained to newcomers and reminded returning members about events such as the Summer Project, Putting on the Glitz, the Studio Tour, the Crosswalk Project, and upcoming field trips to the Lightner Museum and the Daytona Museum of Arts & Sciences.

Tim Stahlheber announced a paintathon at 2 PM on September 17th at Floating Sea Aquatics in Jacksonville. Proceeds from the paintings will help offset losses from the fires on Maui. Tim wants to encourage artists to participate.

Beth Haizlip explained the difference between programs and meetings, talked about this year's visiting artists, and how to sign up for the workshops. She also explained about the raffles at the Orange Park Community Theater and how to contribute artwork for that. Beth pointed out that all this information is available to us on the website.

Betty McKee told us about the Paint the Town feature in Clay Today and brought in several articles featuring the Art Guild. She wanted us to know this was available for publicity and guild members can get a discounted subscription to Clay Today.

Nancy Page urged members to contribute items to the silent auction for the gala. Ticket sales end on September 7th. Also, she explained about Bling Boxes at the gala.

After a break, Kathy Plante went over the Presentation Guidelines, a list of rules for preparing art for shows.

Debbie called attention to the budgets that had been passed out. She noted the biggest change was the addition to the budget of Administrative Help, so she talked briefly about the rationale behind that. She called for a motion to accept. Phyllis Appleby made the motion, Kathy Plante seconded, and the motion passed.

Winners of the summer project were Kathy Plante, Bill Gura, Leslie Kruzicki, Ana Flynn, and Simon Smith.

Debbie adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.