

The Annual St. Clair Art Association Membership Meeting
Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 7 p.m.
Alice W. Moore Center for the Arts.

- I. Welcome/Roll Call 7:14 pm. Attendance taken via sign in sheet at counter.
- II. Proof of Meeting Notice - Available at the counter
- III. Minutes from 2020 Annual Membership Meeting - Available to guests at the counter
- IV. Introduction of Current Board
 - President—Jason Stier
 - Vice President---Stephen Path
 - Treasurer---Gwen Bresinski
 - Secretary---Twila Wayt
 - Directors---Sandy Attebury
 - Michele Fagan
 - Dave Fry
 - Bill Littlejohn - resigned
 - Paul Saunders
 - Brandi Schmitz - Resigned
 - John Steffy
 - Jeff Wessel
 - Office Manager---Cathy Ingles
- V. Annual Financial Report- presented by Gwen Bresinski

Art fair returned, gallery is doing well with refresh, we had some generous funds donated from individuals as well as several grants. Classes and gallery are doing well. Expenses: we received a media arts grant from MSU, and updated our media presence. Overall, we broke even.
- VI. Committee Reports/Year in Review
 1. Education - Carolyn returned after a break. It was a busy year, we introduced new instructors. Some will return in the future to do workshops or classes. We are always looking for new instructors. We have started a directory of instructors. We are looking to get more artisans on board. We can do birthday parties, work with homeschoolers, scout groups.... etc. We are open to all possibilities.
 2. Office/Facilities - We have the opportunity to expand our footprint, Jeff (chairman of county commission) has invited us to consider renting space from Eddy Elem at \$300 per month which includes utilities. Some renovation may be needed. The “American Rescue Plan”, covers renovation, office managers, etc. should we be awarded to us. Ralph Beattie retired, we were blessed to have the same amount of dedication with the new office manager, Cathy Ingles. We have a new PC for the office, Ralph is still available to assist.

Cathy Ingles said she was happy to be here, and encouraged us to use the Facebook page and share it

3. Exhibits- the gallery was closed for a significant amount of time. Sandy had the idea to display work in the windows and we sold work that way. We had one of the best years in the gallery. The Freighter project is underway in partnership with the Historical museum, Bluewater glass and Art association. Jason briefed the audience on the details of the project. It should be installed by spring. 2022 will bring back student work. The Potters market coming along with help of Dan and Carolyn.

4. Art Fair---ZAPP was renewed.

The art fair date was moved to August to accommodate covid concerns. We will be returning to the June date with theme of "Diversity Through the Arts," with live art and a student collaborative art project.

5. Public Art - We are working with the city to install a new Doug Murphy skateboard park bench. Chalk the walk is back. Youth art partners youth with musicians and artists to learn skills to succeed in the arts. Will be expanding on art in the trails.

6. Fundraising/Grants - there is potential for a Pop-up Gala and Umbrella art projects in the spring. We are looking for ideas.

7. Gallery Refresh - Huge refresh, painted, disposed of old fixtures, got some new pedestals, lighting, logos and now moving to exterior façade. New lights for front and back outside are here. Sandy and Bill Littlejohn have taken on this task!

8. Media Arts - Branching out is key. We have a committee that now helps us reach out and purchase equipment to assist in creating content. We are looking for talent and help to achieve our goals in this area.

VII. Call for Volunteers - We run on volunteers and we need a coordinator.

VIII. Election of Directors - we do have some vacancies

a. Nominating Committee - Sandy and Jason, looked at what terms are up and where the need was. (see list)

c. Election

IX. Welcome New Board Members

X. Priorities for 2022 and beyond- Education, expanding footprint, maximizing potential. As Jason steps down, we are assured that he will be assisting us.

XI. Adjournment/Member Social -