**Alamance Artisans Guild**

**Meeting Minutes**

**March 21, 2017**

The March AAG meeting was held at the Holy Comforter Church on March 21.

Steve Cann called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Bob York, Carolyn Langley, Steve Cann, Carolyn Bell, Debbie Martz, Ross Strange, Mary Archer, Pat Scheible, Belinda Hardin, Loretta Parten, Jan Holloman, Daniel Frost, Fredric Wiegel.

The February minutes with motion by Pat Scheible and 2nd by Jan Holloman, they were then approved.

Beverly McAnulty sent the treasurers report. The AAG account has $5,379.67 and the studio tour has $1,605.80.

Ross Strange, membership chair, stated that so far this year, 53 people had paid their membership dues.

**Committee Reports:**

**Events and Exhibitions:**

No report

**Community Relations:** No Report

**Studio Tour/Art Extravaganza Committee:**

Debbie Martz reported that the application for the Art Extravaganza is online and will remain until 12:00 midnight May 21. Steve Durland has made many updates. Several decisions have been made. There will be no food trucks due to expense. A food committee has been created and Pam Watts is the committee chairperson. It is proposed that we hire a bartender and allow people to purchase wine.

The April meeting will be held at the Vailtree at 7:00. We are asked to out no later than 9:00 as a courtesy to the staff. An email blast and other communications will be sent out to inform and remind members of the location change. A call to artist both current and past members to be a part of the Art Extravaganza will be sent out. An invitation to artist in Orange and Chatham Counties will be sent at a later date. Pat Scheible has prepared an article for Alamance Arts.

The preview date has changed. It will now end on October 16. The wrap-up party will be October 16.

There is still concern about racks and displays. The Burlington Women’s Club has racks they use for their annual youth art show. Need to contact Priscilla Starling about the possibility of us using the racks. Bob York stated that he has 4 or 5 easels. It was suggested that we contact Cary Worthy to determine what is in the warehouse as far as pedestals and furniture that could be used. Jan is also interested in the signs. The photo club may have easels we could use. Jan Holloman will call about the easels. Mary Archer and Debbie Martz need to know where grid wall hooks are. Mary is missing about 12 and Debbie about 25.

**Communications:** Susan Kerns is looking for a new communications committee member. She also reminds us that if you have something for our Facebook page, send it in so it can be posted. Ross Strange is adding events to the website. If you have an event you want posted , please send it to Ross Strange at rstrangejr@triad.rr.com.

**Programs:** Unfortunately, the evening program was canceled. The group was asked what programs would they like to have in the future. It was suggested the following be looked into:

May : ask Cary Worthy to come and discuss pop-up art and also allow members to bring art work to be photographed. Ask Lane Watson and Susan Kerns.

June: Bob York will give pointers on how get into art galleries.

July: No meeting

August: Covered dish and social

September: Pat Scheible will have a program called “Hands-on-Color

October: Daniel Frost will talk about how to set up a store front on Facebook.

November: ?

December: No meeting

Committee members are needed. Please contact Carolyn Langley if you are willing to help.

**There was no new business or old business.**

**Announcements:**

Reminder: Alamance Arts is having a reverse auction on Saturday, April 8. Be sure to get your ticket. Three hundred and twenty raffle tickets will be sold. There are many chances to win some money. Ten thousand dollars will be given away, with a top cash prize of $5000.00 to the final ticket holder that is drawn. Tickets are $100 and may be purchased form Carolyn Langley or any Alamance arts Board member.

 The next AAG meeting will be held April 18, 2017.

Watercolor Society North Carolina- Central Region is having a exhibition at the Campbell House in Southern Pines. The reception is Friday, April 7 from 6-8. Several members of AAG will be in this exhibition.

Steve Cann stated that Life’s United Church of Christ has a large lawn that could be good place to have an art fair.

Steve Cann initiated a discussion about the Pop-Art Workshops that Alamance Arts are sponsoring. The goal is to bring an art workshop within reach of an underprivileged neighborhood. The Arts Council has a grant to cover the cost of supplies. After much discussion it was decided that we need Cary to come and talk about what his vision is and how he hope it will be implemented.

The meeting was adjourned. There was no program.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Langley, Secretary