

Pikes Peak Decorative Painters

General Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2009

The October general meeting was held at the Moreno Street Police Station and began at 9:25 AM, with President, Rebecca Coffey, and Secretary, Peggi Severini, in attendance. There were 25 members present, along with one guest, Elizabeth Ackerman (Becca's soon-to-be step daughter). There is a quorum.

President: Becca made an announcement that most of the Executive Committee would not be returning next year, and asked for volunteers from the membership. Edi Finkelman (reluctantly?) volunteered for the position of President. Brenda Stotler volunteered to be our Secretary, Jackie Gibson volunteered for the position of Vice President; she asked that Carolyn Culwell be considered her (ad hoc) helper! With Sandi Severini returning as Newsletter Editor, and Eileen committing for another year as Treasurer, there are enough volunteers to present to the membership. Other members wishing to volunteer for any of these positions may still do so!

There will be Saturday meetings again next year at the police station. Becca is requesting that the January meeting not be held, as the first Saturday of the month is a holiday. Instead, sometime during the month the Old/New boards will meet to tie up end of the year stuff and to pass on books.

It is recommended that the door prizes be suspended for 2010. The chapter has plenty of money in the checking account and the door prizes were not bringing in much money anyhow. This does not include the door prizes for the picnic and for the holiday party. These usually bring in a good amount of money and will continue.

Those who are painting items for the Police Wives Luncheon, must have them back to the chapter by November 1st. There will be someone at the Sandy Scales seminar to accept them, if needed. They will be inventoried and Edi asked Lois to make hang tags for the items, so the wives will know where they came from.

Vice President: Cindy had to leave early, so Becca passed the following on: Cindy wanted to thank every-one for coming to the luncheon, and the upcoming Holiday Party. She wants everyone who is making a gift to please make a "Best Friend" gift! Make it nice! There will be our famous White Elephant exchange. Item must fit in a brown lunch size bag and the outside bag cannot be decorated! The holiday door prize is going to be three pieces this year, painted by Becca, Jo, and Cindy. One person will get all three gifts.

Nancy Jefferson will be teaching her "Snowflake Santa" today as our program.

The Silver Columbine Award is given out during the Holiday Party. The form that needs to be filled out is in the newsletter. If there is someone you think deserves the award, please get the form filled out and get it back to either Cindy or Carolyn.

Carolyn already has four programs set up for next year.

Treasurer: Eileen says she will have a financial statement to go in the newsletter. There is \$12,083.88 in the checking account. She still feels those who overpaid for the luncheon should be reimbursed, even though no one wants to be. The Arlene Newman seminar was subsidized \$38.42 per person by the Margaret Wehking fund. Presently, the Retreat was subsidized \$15.18 per person by the chapter. This amount will go down when all the checks are deposited.

Newsletter: Deadline is today.

Membership: Nancy announced that there were 25 members and one guest in attendance.

Memory box Program: Kali announced that two painted boxes were returned today.

Bazaar: Edi asked that everyone paint something to be donated to the chapter to sell at Bazaar to benefit the chapter. The participant's packet has been handed out. The band members will be helping participants to unload boxes for us. The chapter will be allowed to use our stand-up signs to direct people to our area. Julie Becker will paint an item to use as a door prize for our email list!

Seminar: There are 30 signed up for Saturday and 32 signed up for Sunday – for the Sandy Scales Semi-nar. Jackie said that the baskets are ready to be picked up, but the oval plaques have not arrived as yet.

Retreat: Lois thanked her committee. She also asked that those who attended needed to fill out the survey that she sent out in an email. Next year's retreat will be on September 17, 18, and 19th, and will cost \$160.00 (not including supplies). We will be giving one of the painted bottles to Jason. (He is the one that the chapter has dealt with at the Hideaway). Jackie Gibson painted the bottle we are giving him. Lois also brought pictures from Judy Westergaard, for possible consideration for 2010 Retreat. Eileen has suggested that the chapter have a national teacher come and teach at retreat next year. The Chapter would pick up the cost of the teacher. Participants would pay for the required surfaces.

New Business:

Motion: Edi made a motion that the chapter shall dispense with the door prizes for 2010. Terry seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Edi made a motion that the chapter bring in a national teacher to teach at a future retreat. Motion was seconded and passed by a show of hands. 16 voted "yes", 5 were undecided, and 2 abstained from voting.

Motion: Lois made a motion that the chapter shall make the deposit for Retreat at the Hideaway on September 9, 10, and 11th, 2011. Beth seconded, and it passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Public Relations: The Show, Tell and Sell show at the Woodland Park library went very well. Several persons picked up information on the chapter.

KSS: The chapter has received \$70.00 from the membership for this fund. That amount will be matched from the chapter checking account and will be sent to National.

Unfinished Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggi Severini

Secretary