

ANN ARBOR FIBERARTS GUILD BOARD MEETING

September 8, 2020 – Via Zoom

Members present: Anjanette Bunce, Carol Fleischer, Anne Flora, Jan Frank, Teresa Garland, Mary Valerie Richter, Liz Ritter, Barb Schutzgruber, Marla Smith, Agnes Soderbeck, Nancy Staub, Elizabeth Walther, Audra Wenzlow

President — Carol Fleischer called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Introductions were made.

- Nancy Staub was introduced as our new Zoom coordinator.
- Draft agenda for the membership meeting was reviewed. Audra Wenzlow requested that the Warped Weavers report be moved up with the Board reports. Approved.
- A virtual rehearsal of the Membership Meeting will be on Thursday, Sept. 10 at 5:00 p.m. An invitation will be in your email.
- On the membership meeting day, Sept. 14, from 6:30-7:00 p.m., there will be a workshop on Zoom to help members access the platform.
- Recording Membership meetings, so that they could be available for members, was discussed. There was general agreement, however we would need approval from the speakers.

Vice President/President - Elect — Anjanette Bunce gave a presentation on how Slack could be used to enhance Zoom. That will be added to the Membership Meeting agenda, a pdf will be put on the website and the Board will get email info.

Treasurer — Teresa Garland submitted a written report which is on the website. At this time membership dues are steadily coming in.

Exhibitions — Cindy Harris submitted a written update. There will be two exhibit opportunities this fall and winter. The first is the *Functional COVID Art Mask Online Exhibit* that will begin Oct. 13 on the AAFG website and Facebook page. Submissions due by Sept. 30.

The *2D/3D Fiber Art Online Exhibit* will start Feb. 9, 2021. Submissions due by Jan. 15. All additional information is on the website. Check out our new link on Fiber Art Photography Tips.

Membership — Trish Ritchie's written report indicated the following: We are currently accepting dues mailed to the address on the website membership form. Please enclose a form with your payment. The membership list will be updated as we receive your forms. There will be no new membership cards sent. The password from last year will remain the same.

Programs — Sharon McKenna submitted a written update. The website has all the meeting information. All lectures and workshop will be virtual until further notice. The information about shared lectures and workshops with NTGM has been sent to the membership.

Publicity — Marla Smith led a discussion about listing virtual meetings in the Ann Arbor Observer. It was decided to table a listing until the October deadline.

Sunday Artisan Market — Agnes Soderbeck reported that there are five sellers for this year. The venue seems to work well, with lots of spacing. So far there has been only one sale day, so it is too early to tell how sales will be.

Warped Weavers — Audra Wenzlow reported that the first fall virtual meeting will be the Sunday, Sept. 20, from 1-3 p.m.

Website/Facebook — Mary Valerie Richter and Liz Ritter submitted written reports on some of the analytics for the Guild website and Facebook. Please check the website as it has been completely updated and there are exhibit boxes. The new photo doc has also been added. We do need new gallery photos. They are to be sent to Mary.

Other business — Mary Valerie Richter discussed the email sent to Board members detailing the Zoom meeting format for the Pittsburgh Guild, that she attended.

Next Zoom Board meeting will be Monday, Nov. 2, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Frank, Secretary