

PFLI Board Meeting

August 31, 2017

Attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>PFLI Position</u>	<u>Club</u>
Mike DiRenzo	President	HCC
Carol DiRenzo	Recording Secretary	HCC
Peter Herzog	Board	HCC
Dave Curtin	Delegate	Nassau
John Barnett	Treasurer	Bellport
Bob Warshauer	Education	HCC
Dale Goldstein	PSA Rep	MGNCC
Suzan Goldstein	Advertising	MGNCC
Frank Kirshenbaum	Youth Showcase	Syosset
Vivian Bass	Delegate	Syosset
Dick Hunt	Competition	Wantagh
Joe Pellicone	Website	IPG
Pat Walsh	Delegate	SSCC
Marvin Sheppard	Delegate	SEQCC
Barbara Ross	Delegate	Sweetbriar

Mike Called meeting to order at 7:25 pm due to a mix up about location.

Motion to accept June minutes, -2nd, accepted.

Mike mentioned we have a meeting venue problem. We currently have six meetings scheduled for the POB library which we will keep for this year while looking for an alternative meeting place. Farmingdale University wants to charge us which is not an option at this time.

Treasurer's Report-

John sent out his report and budget to the board, he went over the balances in all accounts.

Mike suggested taking some money out of our CD's when they renew to put into savings for liquidity.

John mentioned three specific expenses for this year.

1. Photorama- \$1250- should this be adjusted?
2. Education -Presenter fees- \$1600-are we having presentations, B&H?
3. Gratuities, Misc, Events-\$1450-Cost of Competitions at Farmingdale

We are going to adjust the Budget for Photorama in light of the fact that we have put our monthly Sunday Lectures on hold for the time being to the loss of POB as a venue. Our monthly cost for competition expenses has gone up as well for the same reason. Due to the loss of POB for our lecture series we can re-allocate these funds until we can secure another venue for our lectures.

Peter said there is no custodial help at Farmingdale so we should not incur tip expenses.

Motion to accept Treasurers report, 2nd, accepted.

Sunday Lectures

Our Sunday Lectures series is currently on hold as we have lost POB library as a venue. We can reinstate these lectures at a later date if we find a suitable place to have them. Bob has been a big help assisting Peter with the Photorama.

Photorama

The 2017 Photorama will be held on Sunday 10/15/17 at the State University of Farmingdale. The fee is \$500. Peter got a contact from Dorothy for birds of prey who has a lot of different birds. The list includes Screech owl, barn owl, Eurasian eagle owl, peregrine falcon, American kestrel, falcon, red tailed hawk, harris hawk, rough legged hawk and American bald eagle. The costs for these birds is \$250 per hour. If we want parrots that is another \$250 per hour, we are only doing the birds of prey. If the weather permits we can have the birds outside. We could also possibly use the greenhouse. Tripods are allowed, backpacks are not.

Mike asked the group if everyone knew the location of the college. There will be parking.

Peter is working on getting a model, Mike suggested Model Mayhem. We might be able to get two models @\$100 each. Peter will contact Dorothy about ballerina info.

Insect swill also be on hand for photos, The charge is \$150.

Suzan asked about table top display, we have nothing planned at this time. Peter asked if anyone had backdrops, Mike has several.

Mike has spoken with Gary from Hunts Photo. He needed a ride from JFK. If he cannot come we will ask Gabe at B&H. *

*NOTE(Since our meeting Gary has arranged for his own transportation and delivery of his gear.) He will be attending the Photorama.

Mike and Peter suggested a \$5 donation and a raffle. We can possibly get some gift cards from Hunts or even B&H.

Youth Showcase

Here is Frank's Youth Showcase info-

2017-2018 Youth Showcase Information

What I know so far:

They will separate the print and Projection forms.

They will not require or even ask for digital copies of the print images.

They will allow us to download the projection images for our competition as usual and will allow us to send them directly to the webmaster via FTPO rather than hand uploading to the main database individually.

Schedule:

Schools Closed February 16-23 (These school closings are based upon Jericho Schools)

Deadline for Entries March 23 (this gives us the following Monday through Wednesday for "late" entries)

School Spring Break March 29-April 6

Youth Showcase Competition April 5 (at the Haypath Facility 6:30-10:00)

We send the prints to PSA

Spring Spectacular April 15

PSA Judging April 22

PSA will send the prints back to us with the list of PSA winners
(we can announce them at the Awards Ceremony)

Awards Ceremony April 29

We send the prints that won or had acceptances to PSA for their conference

Spring Spectacular

The Spring Spectacular is scheduled for April 15th 2018. Mike spoke with Carol at SCCC to confirm. Carol will talk to Alan Kiner who runs the SCCC camera club to see if they will be sponsoring again this year. If so we can save money in fees. Canon inquired who we wanted as our speaker, we have to see who is available. Maybe B & H can provide one of their national parks speakers.

Competitions

Our first competition is October 13th, the Friday before the Photorama.

Mike suggested doing the digitals first to allow extra time for delegates to get there with their club's prints as this is a new venue for us and may need time to find the college.

We need to buy a new charging cord for the laptop as it has been missing since the LV awards in June. Mike will pick that up.

Parking is available for the competitions. It was noted that parking lot 41 is a long way from the greenhouse where we are holding the competitions which is a problem to transport the light box and projector every month. Mike spoke with Peter Fazekas from Suffolk Camera Club who builds light boxes and he can build us a new, lighter one for \$225. We voted and agreed on this purchase for the PFLI.

Dick gave the LV awards plaques to the delegates to distribute to their club members.

Dave asked about the Salon group- Tom is not in attendance, that decision has been put off to next year at the earliest. Mike asked who was in favor of the Salon group, there was mixed response.

Misc:

Mike has a meeting at Canon in Melville to arrange a tour of their facility and a presentation from one of their Explorers of Light. **

** Since our meeting Mike has met with Dawn Shields at Canon. This event will be Monday, Nov. 6th at 6:45pm. Canon limited the attendance to 100 people. Mike sent out an email blast to the PFLI club list. He had over 100 responses within 1 1/2 days so the list was then closed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Carol DiRenzo
Recording Secretary
Sept. 14, 2017