

PFLI Board Meeting

Feb 23, 2018

Attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>PFLI Position</u>	<u>Club</u>
Mike DiRenzo	President	HCC
Carol DiRenzo	Recording Secretary	HCC
Peter Herzog	Board	HCC
John Barnett	Treasurer	Bellport
Dale Goldstein	PSA Rep	MGNCC
Suzan Goldstein	Advertising	MGNCC
Dick Hunt	Competition	Wantagh
Pat Walsh	Delegate	SSCC
Dave Curtin	Delegate	Nassau
Tom Crosley	VP2	IPG
Barbara Ross	Delegate	Sweetbriar
Robert Warshauer	Delegate	HCC
Ron Moore		SEQCC
Frank Kirshenbaum	Youth Showcase	Syosset
Vivian Bass	Delegate	Syosset
John Heidecker	Delegate	NWPLI
Samantha Kennedy		SCC

Mike Called meeting to order at 7pm. Meeting was held at the Half Hollow Hills Library on Motor Pkwy. in Dix Hills.

Pat noted that it was Trudy who brought up election at January meeting, motion to accept the Jan. minutes , 2nd, accepted.

Treasurer's Report-

John sent out treasurer's report to the board. he went over all accounts. He went to the bank to inquire about a fee. John said rates are going up on 6 month and one year CD's. We need to keep our savings account open to have checking there as well. Projected Photorama income is \$600. There is overlap from last

year regarding monies spent/allocated and this years budget. We may have to look at the numbers again for this year. John thinks he will be staying on as Treasurer for now.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report, 2nd, approved.

Youth Showcase

Deadline for entries is March 16th. So far Frank has received 219 digital entries. Some students entered more then allowed or entered incorrectly so those will have to go back. Frank was going to send out an email explaining this to the teachers. Frank is still downloading images and forms. Except for some minors issues the process is going well. The competition is on April 5th, the awards ceremony is on April 29th. He still needs 3 judges for this event. Frank needs from John at the next meeting.

Spring Spectacular

Mike spoke confirmed with Jack Reznicki from Canon Explorers of Light. Because of a previous misunderstanding regarding presenters we now have presentations for this event. In the morning we have Matt Hill and Chris Nichol森 from National Parks at Night through B&H.* In the late morning and afternoon Jack Reznicki will present. His topics include copyright laws and visual perception. Tickets will be available online like last year. John said we've already sold more online tickets than at this time last year. Tickets are \$30 in advance. Mike gave out tickets to all member clubs in attendance, only Paumanok, Lindenhurst and PCLI and Bronx were not in attendance to get their tickets. We will have tickets available at the door for walk ups. All clubs MUST be responsible for their tickets and ticket monies, any unsold tickets need to be returned and/or accounted for. We have quite a few vendors attending and Mike suggested ending the program a 1/2 hour early to allow people to shop.

Mike has received quite a few raffle prizes for this event and is waiting for more. He still has to contact Gary at Hunt's for a gift card. He also expects to get something for B&H for the raffle. He hopes to fill the lobby this year with vendors and sell more tickets. Last year we had 115 in attendance with 7 no shows for a total of 122 tickets sold.

Alan Keaner is no longer in charge of camera club at SCCC and is supposed to get back to Mike regarding sponsorship of this event . **

* B&H has expressed a desire to to do a night photography shoot in October.

** As of this writing Alan has not contacted Mike with new contact person.

Creative

Tom is resigning as 2VP but will continue on as our Creative Chairperson. He said there was more interest in the website in January but some board members said their club members still have problems signing into the site. John suggested a sending an email with detailed instructions on how to sign in and vote.

Photorama

Mike called Bayard Cutting Arboretum, we are still waiting to hear back. We'll probably have to drive over and speak to someone. They ALLOW birds, animals, bugs, cars, models, etc. Planting Fields DOES NOT. Farmingdale is still an option but we are totally thrilled with the venue, and the greenhouse is not good in October. We will try for a Sept. date at Bayard.

Vivian suggested more models and instructional set ups. (still life's, water drops, etc.) Most board members agree the birds are the biggest draw for the Photorama. Hunt's will sponsor the Photorama and Gary wants to bring even more vendors than last year.

Competition

Are we changing the date for the LV competition? Farmingdale is just not a good option for this event. ***

*** As of this writing Peter was able to secure the large room at HHH Library for the LV competition to June 16th from 12 noon-4:30.

Judges Seminar

Our Judges Seminar is scheduled for Sat. March 17th from 1-3pm in the HHH library in the large room downstairs. Dick and Mike will be giving the seminar. Dick has a presentation which includes photos. Mike had sent an email detailing

the seminar. Frank said some members did not think they should attend. **** The room at HHH can hold up to 70 people without tables.

Barbara asked will those who currently judge still be able to if they do not attend the seminar, the answer is yes. We see a lot of discrepancies in the scoring so this is the reason for the seminar. Many judges at the club level do not want to give out low scores for fear of not being asked back. There seems to be too many scores lumped between 7.5-8.5, and hardly any 6, 6.5 or and few 7's scores at the club level. Peter thought some judges scored higher at the club level than at the PFLI.

The purpose of the seminar is to be instructional and helpful, and a refresher course for many.

Vivian asked if PFLI judges were a concern for us, sometimes it is.

Frank suggested using Eventbrite to allow people to sign up for this event.*****

**** Mike has since sent another email urging people y to attend, especially all judges who currently judge on the club level or those who want to become judges.

***** Mike has since created an Eventbrite invitation and as of this writing he has 35 confirmed attendees.

New Business-Misc

We still need 2 VP's and we also have an open board position, that makes three voting positions. Bob said he would send out an email asking people to nominate or volunteer.

Dave asked if we had a date for the next canon Tour, not at this time. Mike said possibly in May.

Motion to adjourn, 2nd -meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

Carol DiRenzo
Recording Secretary
March 5, 2018