

PFLI Board Meeting
Oct 28, 2016

Attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>PFLI Position</u>	<u>Club</u>
Mike DiRenzo	President	HCC
Carol DiRenzo	Recording Secretary	HCC
Dick Hunt	Competition Chair	Wantagh
Tom Crosley	VP2	IPF
John Barnett	Treasurer	Bellport
Bob Warshauer	Education	HCC
Dale Goldstein	PSA Rep	MGNCC
Suzan Goldstein	Advertising	MGNCC
Frank Kirshenbaum	Youth Showcase	Syosset
Dorothy Gist	Photorama	FCCSQ
Barbara Ross	Delegate	Sweetbriar
Dave Curtin	Delegate	Nassau CC
Uris McKay	Delegate	SE Queens
Peter Herzog	Board Member	HCC
Pat Walsh		SSCC
Andrew Kurchey		Lindenhurst
Joe Pellicone	Website	IPC
John Brokos	Delegate	Freeport
John Heidecker	Delegate	NWPLI
Laura Star	Delegate	Paumanok
John Bennett	Delegate	Suffolk
Michael Newler		Syosset
Vivian Bass	Delegate	Syosset
Trudy Runyon	Delegate	Lindenhurst
Harold Klein		Lindenhurst

Mike Called meeting to order at 7:00 pm. He said he sent out an agenda asking if anyone wanted to add to it.

Treasurer's Report

John went over his report. He said several club's were in arrears with their dues. Some delegates gave him checks and/or additional monies. John was absent from September meeting, Mike gave him dues checks he had received at that meeting. Income taxes have been filed, new procedure. Liability insurance has been paid, John had to contact them for the invoice. Copies of the budget were distributed, John went over the budget, expenditures. Some events are charged to prior fiscal year. We currently have a large amount in our MM account and savings.

There was a discussion about the Photorama budget, no raffle this year to bring in additional revenue.

Motion to accept Treasurers report passed.

John thanked everyone for their condolences about his brother.

Photorama

Dorothy has 2 parts to her report.

Part 1- The 2016 Photorama took place on Oct 23, there were 150 attendees from all 19 member clubs. Tom Crosley had done a lot of advertising. Volunteers, John Barnett, Matt Cully, Terry Brokos, Ellen Lee and Bob Warshauer including a few others did a great job. Michael Newler assisted Suzan and Dale Goldstein at registration. Young volunteers including Heidi's granddaughter also participated.

There were 63 evaluations, many gave a rating of excellent especially for Birds of Prey, Overall, Ballerina and Parrots.

Door prizes included BLANKETWORKS.COM items, blanket donated to the PFLI board.

Keep up the good work, repeat format, etc.

Part 2. Dorothy explained she was upset with the way the board handled the Photorama this year and tendered her resignation as Photorama chair. She presented her case and I have attached a copy of her Part 2, I will not type it into the minutes.

A discussion ensued, Mike said the committee changed the location of the venue prior to discussing it with the board, which subsequently approved the change after the fact at the March board meeting. John explained he needed board approval to approve any budget increases for committees and that there are some things that do come up unexpectedly, ie: costs of awards, etc. Mike explained that ALL requests for budget increases need Board approval. Suzan felt there was a lack of communication. Barbara thinks we should continue with the \$5 donation at future Photoramas as did most of the board.

See attached docs in email.

Sunday Lectures

Bob talked about upcoming lectures, speakers and their presentations.

Youth Showcase

Frank is concerned about the PSA database. he will be sending out info with the rules for Showcase based on PSA rules. no more than 3 images per student, instructions on sizing, deadline, etc. Sizing is 1024 x 768 pixels (landscape size) with portraits not exceeding 768 on the long side.

Pat said the PSA will need to know ALL participating schools in advance.

Spring Spectacular

The date for this event is Sunday, April 9th and has been confirmed by SCC. Mike contacted Dan Neri from Canon Explorers of Light and requested Lindsey Adler, he had not heard back from him yet. He will begin reaching out to his vendors about raffle prizes for this event.

*** Note:** Since our meeting Dan Neri confirmed Lindsey Adler is available for this event.

Suzan introduced Michale Newler, a new Syosset member who is also a former Canon EoL photographer, nickname "Captain Explorer". He went into a very long explanation (which I will not go into here) of his ideas to get "better" presenters. He talked about an expense of \$4,000 that he said could be funded by sponsors, vendors, etc. Running short on time Mike asked him to send his proposal by email.

****Note:** Mike has not received this proposal as of Nov. 4th, 2016, the date of this writing.

Competition

Dick suggested a \$5 pp fee for member clubs to the PFLI. That works well for smaller clubs but Mike and Carol said that would be unfair to larger clubs like HCC. Carol also said that larger clubs may ask for and should possibly be able to enter more images. Mike suggested we consider a sliding scale for club dues based on club size, ie: less than 25 members, 25-50 members, 50-100 members, etc. This needs additional discussion at future meetings.

Frank said he would send something regarding the dues structure to the board. We all agree we need to generate additional monies from dues to offset the shortfall.

Dick said he changed the competition program to include a Salon Group at a future date.

Pat questioned the judging format regarding the 3 judges plus 1 alternate. Suzan said it was confusing. They asked what is the "role of the alternate judge".

Mike asked the board "How many clubs allow the judge to move out of their chair'?", citing he feels this doe snot allow for fair judging of all images. Only two clubs in attendance do NOT allow this, Syosset and Wantagh.

Misc:

Pat said minutes from all board meetings need to be approved as per Robert's Rules. Mike said he is not all that familiar with Robert's Rules and we hold our meetings a little less formally. Pat said April minutes need to be approved, once approved Joe will put them on our website.

9pm- Motion to adjourn meeting

Carol DiRenzo- Recording Secretary -Nov. 4, 2016