

Grande Prairie Photo Club

Executive Meeting - October 10/11

Present: Heather, Janice, Mick, Chris, Doreen, Melissa, Lloyd (late)

Regrets: William, Don, Lukasz, Michelle

1. Agenda Approval

- approved as presented.

2. Review of Meeting Minutes

- minutes were reviewed and approved.

3. Treasurer's Report

- most recent bank statement not received yet
- approximately \$7,000 to the good after the workshop expenses have been taken care of
- Chris will provide a full report for next meeting

4. Membership Report

- a couple of new members have come in over the website; will need to follow-up with the new people to get payment
- currently 82 paid members
- Michelle has resigned her position of Secretary for personal reasons; Janice will take meeting notes until the end of the year. Mick will manage the Library.

5. Field Trip Report

- recent trip to Jasper - need to get a report and/or share pics from this trip at an upcoming meeting
- O'Brien Park field trip had about 8 people attend - it was a good night and we caught the trees before all of the leaves fell
- need to work on some trips for the colder months; northern lights would be good. Also, finding places to photograph interesting water

6. October Meeting

- will include a presentation by Chris Beauchamp on shooting in manual
- Charlie Healy - member showcase
- discussion - club input/facebook page
- photo contest - V the Vacation Store

7. November Meeting

- depending on weather - will either be shooting lights at night or macro photography in the building

8. Facebook Page for Club

- there has been a little discussion over social media about the photo club; some has involved our members and others who are not members have been involved as well. In one case, the club executive was specifically asked not to comment.
- we need to provide avenues for our members to voice their concerns, ask questions or share ideas
- after discussion it was decided that the Club will put up its own facebook page that will be accessible to paid members only - Doreen will set it up and executive will be administrators
- we will develop "rules of engagement" for the page
- this will be the official place to get club information, ask questions, find out about Club events
- we need to inform the membership about it and the various other ways they can participate in the club
- in addition to the facebook page, we should also be more deliberate about this at monthly meetings as well - create an "Open Mike" section for every meeting
- Janice will draft an email for Lloyd to send out prior to Monday's meeting about this

9. V the Vacation Store Contest

- Heather and Janice shared information about a potential contest that was proposed to the Club by V the Vacation store.
- the executive approved going ahead with this
- Heather & Janice will get more information; it can be shared at the Oct Meeting and all the official rules, etc will be available for the November meeting

10. Scavenger Hunt

- 5 entries were submitted and London Drugs has judged them and awarded prizes.
- Melissa will pick up the prizes so they can be distributed on Monday.

11. Open Mike

- no items

12. Next Meeting

- Monday, November 14/11 7 pm