**GP Photo Club Executive Meeting Minutes**

**Monday May 9, 2016**

Commenced: 7:04 pm at GP Library

(Quorum: 11 members)

**In Attendance:** Chris Thompson, Robert Moffat, Kim White, Lloyd Dykstra, Christine Young, Janice Kretzer-Prysunka, Maj Jose, Liza Curtiss, Doug Duplessis, Dianne Pelland Arsenault,

Delwyn Innes

**Regrets:** Belle Mampusti Bergeron

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion - Dianne

Second - Lloyd

**Review and Approval of Previous Minutes (March 14, 2016)**

Change the following two items:

* Section 4. Upcoming Club Meetings

May – Smartphone Photography

Liza and Dianne will have a presentation on taking images using your smartphone and some of the apps available.

* Section 4. Upcoming Club Meetings

June – Landscapes

Lloyd will lead this meeting.

Motion – Janice

Second - Robert

**Old Business**

* *Membership Update*

Robert has begun removing unpaid members from our Facebook page and will verify the remaining ones are active members.

* *Financial Update*

Doug reported the account balance is $6252.00 and we are expecting an invoice for insurance fees.

* *Web*

Chris sent an email with DreamHost information that we need to click on the link to accept. It can be used to create your own login and use the email feature on the website.

Chris will arrange for website training for Dianne, Liza and Kim and including himself. We would also like to evaluate the possibility of moving our website to another web host.

**Upcoming Club Meetings**

* *June – Landscapes*

How to take landscape photos with depth of field and focal point(s). Lloyd will lead this meeting.

* *July – External Flash Photography*

Have the meeting at Station 29 in Sexsmith if they have the availability. Chris will check with Linda or Al.

* *August – High Shutter & Water*

Burst water balloons/various options.

* *October – After Dark*

Photographing in low light conditions-how to.

*Ideas from Previous Meeting*

* Macro Night – Using adapters to capture your image.
* Image Quest – Use a bingo board with 9 squares (max.) consisting of low light/park bench/silhouette/etc. One theme with members shooting their best image and emailing it to the club for the next meeting.
* Selective Focus using Focal Length
* Studies in Composition – How to/what to look for when taking a photo. Rule of thirds/leading lines/shapes/etc. Covers many areas of photography including landscape/portrait/etc. (Bert Reynolds from Fairview as a possible speaker)
* Club Camping Trip – Search and Rescue techniques where 1 member is lost and has to be found.

**Field Trips**

Janice reported that there was a good turnout for the macro theme at Dunvegan Gardens. There is a field trip for a sunset shoot at Saskatoon Lake scheduled during the long weekend. Possible upcoming field trips include:

* Highland Games in June
* Fireworks in July
* a walk downtown at twilight
* street photography
* a farm yard with old vehicles
* McNaught homestead

**New Business**

* *Signing Authority*

Doug will follow up with a date and time for Chris and Christine to have signing authority.

**Ideas for Workshop**

Dave Brosha – Landscape/Lighting/Portraiture Photography

* Workshop will be held on Friday July 8, 2016
* Have workshop at the GP Museum (Indoor/Outdoor)
* An “Environmental Portraiture” theme
* Need to schedule models (how many/who)
* There will be a morning and afternoon session available to members at no charge
* The afternoon session will have a maximum of 25 members
* Chris and Dianne will compose an email to the membership and post on Facebook with the details of this workshop
* Any member that would like to attend the afternoon session will need to send an email to Chris expressing their interest in attending
* We will have a draw to determine the lucky participants to the afternoon session
* There will be a fee of $30.00 for non-members to attend the morning session depending on available seating

**Open Discussion**

* Workshops on Lightroom and Photoshop with a college instructor.
* Have a show at the Art Gallery in 2017. Submissions need to be completed by October 16, 2016 for 2017. Additional information can be found on their webpage at <http://aggp.ca/submissions/>
* Limit comments on presentations until the end to be less distracting to the audience and the presenter.
* Chris will research fees for a Dropbox account (or similar) to store meeting minutes, agendas, photos, etc.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Motion - Robert

Second - Delwyn