

GP Photo Club Executive Meeting Minutes

Monday October 11, 2016

Commenced: 7:05 pm at GP Library
(Quorum: 7 members)

In Attendance: Chris Thompson, Dianne Arsenault, Kim White, Janice Kretzer-Prysunka, Liza Curtiss, Doug Duplessis, Delwyn Innes

Regrets: Belle Mampusti Bergeron, Christine Young, Lloyd Dykstra, Maj Jose, Robert Moffat

Approval of Agenda

Motion - Doug

Second - Janice

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes (September 12, 2016)

Motion – Delwyn

Second – Liza

Old Business

- *Financial Update*

Doug reported the account balance is unchanged from last month. We are waiting on the total amount owed for the Alberta Culture Days event.

- *Web*

Liza reported the website has been a slow process but working smoothly at this point.

Through contact with Tammie, Liza was informed that there will be an invoice for 3 hours of work at \$95.00 per hour that was completed by Dustin (IT) which wasn't billed for previously. Tammie said the club was advised and it was included in the minutes that this work was done and not paid for. They will transfer the domain name to Wix and Liza will be able to proceed with adding content to the website.

Once the site has been moved to Wix, the email portion will be created on an "Under Construction" page for people to email the club. Also, if we see any pages we like while surfing the web, send them to Liza to see if she can incorporate the style on the website.

Liza is generously building the website at **no charge** to the club.

- Alberta Cultural Days

The images will be on display for one month. There was a good representation of the club and the event went smoothly.

Delwyn would like to see cards with the photographers name and title of the image printed and put with each image as we did with the Beaverlodge show.

Dianne would like to see the Friday morning kickoff attendance reviewed. The past two years have had very little attendance during this time frame.

Some thoughts for upcoming events include having members volunteer to man the table for a specific amount of time during the event. Start to organize events three months beforehand to determine whether there is enough participation from club members to book the event. Have two to three people as the point people. Dianne will prepare a protocol list that will be used for events and Chris will assist if needed.

- **Facebook**
Delwyn reported that our Facebook page has members that have not yet paid their dues. He has cross referenced each member using our list of members' spreadsheet. At this point, a message has been sent to each unpaid member with the date and location we meet each month. Delwyn will keep the member list as is until February, at which time all unpaid members will be removed from the group.
Delwyn will discuss with Lloyd the option to edit this spreadsheet and to have last names listed alphabetically, etc.

Upcoming Club Meetings

- *October – After Dark*
Dianne will have a presentation on settings for your camera and images taken when using a pixelstick. Dianne and Christine are meeting to add Halloween images to the pixelstick.
We will divide into four or five groups and go outside to Jubilee Park where we can take photos with the pixelstick. There will also be an assortment of lights to use for light painting.
- *November – Creative Composition (Burt or Calista)*
Dianne contacted Calista to find out whether she and/or Bert would be interested in giving a presentation on Creative Composition to the club. Calista seemed interested and said she would send an overview of the presentation within two weeks. If Dianne hasn't heard anything by Monday October 17th she will contact Calista again.
- *December – Christmas Party*
This will be a potluck with a crazy gift exchange (\$20 limit) for anyone who wants to participate.

New Business

London Drugs - Chris has been contacted by London Drugs to display our club members' prints at their location. Any pieces put on display have to be printed at London Drugs and there will be a 30% discount applied to printing. Images will be on display during December and members interested will need to have their prints submitted in November (date to be determined). Chris will find out the submission criteria, etc and advise.

Candace from London Drugs showed Dianne the media room and said it would be a perfect spot to have a “Meet and Greet” during a specific time that our prints are on display.

Open Discussion

Delwyn asked about the survey to be distributed during the January meeting. A way to find out what members want to learn during the next year, such as photography style, depth of field, etc. Liza will edit the questions from the previous survey and forward to the members for completion.

DigitalRev Tv did a segment on using lower end cameras that we could show members. Liza watched the segment and said they are informative and worth checking out. They have professional photographers use the equipment and the audience gets the chance to see the photos they took.

Dianne would like to see a meeting on using filters and have either Lloyd, Jean-Paul or both take the lead.

Kim said July, August and September were photo contest free months and wanted to address why and find out whether it would resume. July and August are usually two months of the year that family vacations are booked. Kim was away in September and completely missed announcing the theme for the photo contest in time. Kim asked for a volunteer to post the photos on our Facebook page as she no longer has a Facebook account and Janice volunteered.

Kim asked for announcements, contests, etc to be emailed to members because not all members use social media.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Motion - Dianne

Second - Delwyn