

GP Photo Club Executive Meeting Minutes

Monday April 14, 2014

Commenced: 7:07 pm at GP Library
(quorum: 10 members)

In Attendance: D. Altman, R. Scott, W. Vavrek, D. Duplessis, C. McMullen, R. Moffat, C. Young,
L. Dykstra, K. White, D. Fast via Video Conference

1. Adoption of Agenda (adopted)

2. Review of Previous Minutes (Mar 10, 2014)

K. White read minutes.

3. Membership Reports

L. Dykstra reported that we have 49 members who have paid their membership and 11 are new members.

4. Treasurer Report

- a. D. Fast reported there is \$4300.00 in the club's account and approximately \$2100 was deposited from membership dues.
- b. There is \$50.00 owed to the library and D. Fast will ask L. Craik how payment is made for this expense.
- c. L. Dykstra received a cheque for membership from C. Marinus that he will record and then give it as well as any others to D. Fast for deposit.

5. Old Business

a. Theme for April meeting (Anticipating the Moment)

- i. C. McMullan has arranged for 4 actors (hoping this will increase to 6-9) to act out charades.
- ii. C. McMullan will discuss how to watch for body cues (ie: head down, shoulders slumped).
- iii. The membership will have the opportunity to photograph the actors acting out the charades and will have to "Anticipate the Moment" of where they think they will get the best photograph.
- iv. Each Executive member will need to send C. McMullan 30 ideas for charades by Friday April 18th at 5:00 pm.
- v. The membership will be asked to give W. Vavrek 2-3 images from the ones taken for a slideshow at the end of the evening.

- b. **Theme for May meeting (Puddles, Reflection and Composition)**
 - i. C. McMullan will put together some images for a Member Showcase with a Motion theme as a prelude to June's meeting.
 - ii. R. Moffat will lead a group of beginners outside to photograph some puddles and reflections.
 - iii. The remaining members will also be able to photograph puddles and reflections outside.
- c. **Theme for June meeting (Motion)**
 - i. We will meet at the RC Park to photograph a car race weather permitting.
 - ii. There are 3 types of Motion Shooting:
 - Traditional panning
 - Freeze action
 - Motion and blur
 - iii. C. McMullan to contact RC.
- d. **Theme for July meeting (O'Brien Park Portraits)**
 - i. Meeting to take place at O'Brien Park weather permitting.
 - ii. D. Fast will speak with Chris, Sean and Mick about teaching how to use natural light in photography.
 - iii. D. Fast will look for model volunteers to pose for the membership to photograph.
 - iv. If the weather is uncooperative the meeting will be held at the Centre for Creative Arts.
- e. **Theme for August meeting (Muskoseepi Park)**
 - i. This meeting will be "theme less."
 - ii. Family friendly BBQ at Muskoseepi.
 - iii. Get to know the membership and have a photo walk.
- f. **Critique**

R. Moffat will connect with D. Arberry to see whether he would be able to do a meeting on how to critique.
- g. **Member Slideshow**

C. Young has received 2 photographs for the member slideshow and will keep reminding members to send in their photos.
- h. **Donation on behalf of Paul Pivert**
 - i. Tracy Vavrek to do an educational session on how it works.
 - ii. D. Fast and D. Duplessis will connect with Paul's family for their input.
 - iii. Need to decide on the timing.
 - iv. There has to be a minimum of \$10,000 in the fund before issuing scholarships, awards or grants.
 - v. What kind of fund are we looking at (award fund for students, general field of interest such as arts and culture, donor advised fund that we can pick which charities benefit from).
- i. **Memorial Award**

L. Craik sent link to D. Altman for a business in town that sells memorial awards and will have more information at the next Executive Meeting.

j. 100 Year Celebration for Grande Prairie

- i. Play to run during the August long weekend.
- ii. K. White will be the point person and R. Moffat to assist.

6. New Business

a. Investigate PayPal Payment Option

- i. W. Vavrek to verify monthly fee.
- ii. D. Altman to ask Nine10 if PayPal can be added to the website and whether there would be a charge for this.

b. Home Show Booth (Fall Home Show)

- i. We would like to have 10 volunteers at this show.
- ii. Look at getting club t-shirts to be worn as advertisement.
- iii. We would need to bring a banner, laptop with slideshow of member's photos.
- iv. D. Altman will have additional information at the next Executive meeting.

c. Post Office Box

- i. D. Altman will investigate the cost of a post office box for the club.
- ii. L. Dykstra has agreed to use his mailing address if no other alternative.

7. Website Report

- i. D. Altman, C. McMullan and J. Kretzer-Prysunka have approved the preview of the new website.
- ii. Once the site is completed there will be a presentation and all Executive members will have Administration access.

8. Open Mike

- i. R. Moffatt will see if we can leave some business cards at Centre 2000.
- ii. See if we can leave some business cards at the Centre for Creative Arts.
- iii. K. White to ask members who were at field trips to contribute some of their photos to be added to a disc and offered in exchange for a donation to the business where the field trip was.
- iv. R. Moffatt to give specifications for saving photos.
- v. Members to be able to add their photos to Dropbox.

9. Meeting Adjourned at 8:43pm (approved).