**MINUTES**

 **FEBRUARY 21, 2024**

The Walker Art Committee met on February 21, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the art storeroom of the Garnett Public Library with the following present: Wanda Taylor, Joyce Martin, Denise Scheibmeir and Marcia Mader. Absent: Jenelle Klehammer, Layne Katzer and Mary Schneiders.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Denise, seconded by Marcia to approve the minutes of January 17, 2024. The motion was unanimously approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Marcia presented the January, 2024 treasurer’s report as follows: Beginning and ending balance is $2,616.26. No revenues or expenditures to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Joyce has been working with Kelly Yarbrough of the Creative Arts Industries Commission through the State of Kansas to see if we might qualify for grant funds. We will continue our efforts to get grant monies as we need funds to purchase hangars for the art displays, pay for framing of donated art, postage to mail agenda materials and other items to make sure we take proper care of the collections. Joyce said that she would like to reach out to the city manager to see if we could receive some city funding to cover our activities. The committee thought this would be a good idea and offered their support.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Steve Graue has indicated his willingness to do an exhibit of American Indian art. Committee members expressed their support of this exhibit. Steve will need some help to take down his current display in the West Wing Gallery. Marcia will contact him to see when he would like to do this then advise committee members.

Cathy Brummel will have a display in the West Wing Gallery during the months of March and April. It was agreed that we would meet on March 1 at 10:00 a.m.to help her hang her display.

Marcia talked to Val Katzer about a Morning Mingle Appetizer contest that will be held on April 6th from 5-8 p.m. Each participating business or group will make an appetizer and people who go to the different places will vote on their favorite. We agreed to participate as this will be a good way to encourage people to view the art galleries.

Marcia reported that Crest High School does not have an art class. Joyce will check with Jenelle to see if ACHS art students will have a display in May & June. If not, Jenelle will be asked if she can do their family art collection display.

Wanda will check with Karlyn Hulett to see if she would be able to display her photographs.

Other scheduled displays in the gallery were reviewed.

Community Development Director Kris Hix asked our committee if we wanted to participate in the 2025 Kansas Travel Guide. The cost is $80. A motion was made by Denise, seconded by Wanda that we place an ad in the 2025 guide. The motion was unanimously approved.

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A motion was made by Denise, seconded by Marcia to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Next meeting will be March 20th.

 Joyce E. Martin, Recording Secretary