

WALKER ART MINUTES
FEBRUARY 15, 2018

The Walker Art Committee met in the art storeroom at the Garnett Public Library at 4:00 pm on Thursday, February 15, 2018 with the following present: Wanda Taylor, President; Marcia Mader, Candy Hewes, Tami Hiestand and Joyce Martin. Absent: Members – Jenelle Klehammer and Jenny Schooler and Phyllis Adams, Ambassador.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Candy, seconded by Marcia to approve the minutes of January 18, 2018 as written. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Jenny's absence, Joyce presented the Treasurer's Report. Beginning Balance: \$5,957.15; revenue of \$100 from Facebook; expenditure of \$11 for Facebook Ad. The report showed that the remaining \$100 owed to this committee will be reimbursed by Facebook this month. Ending balance is \$6046.15. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Candy commented on the wonderful Anderson County High School Art Class display in the community gallery. Marcia is attempting to collect information on the students and their art so an article can be put in the local papers inviting people to view the students' work.

Candy announced that two (2) paintings from artist Mary Hall have been purchased. This committee purchased "Kansas Prairie" and Frank & Joyce Martin purchased "A Good Place to Live" which has been donated to the Walker Art Committee. Candy has also purchased a picture but there is no indication of the title. Jenny Schooler purchased a picture done by local artist Irma Velthoen and has donated it as well. Joyce mentioned that this committee needs to be sure to give a certificate of gift receipt for anything donated. The form will be retyped with copies kept in the art storeroom.

Joyce said that she had requested and received from Sonia Jones a listing of all art contained in the Garnett Art Collection. The insurance company that insures the Walker Art Collection is asking if insurance should be written for this collection. Candy & Joyce will continue to work on the list and research the certificate of gift receipts to determine a price for each then request a quote for insurance coverage.

Candy said that her sister lives in Cimarron, Kansas & she would like to enlist the help of her sister to see if there are artists from that area who might be interested in displaying their art in the community and west wing galleries. This would be another way to get the word out about the Walker Art Gallery and bring people to town. Everyone thought this was a great idea and asked Candy to proceed.

Candy reported that she and her daughter, Nikki Sprague, had packed most of the photographs done by Karyn Sullivan of KlynnSulli Photography that were displayed in the gallery a few months ago. A few of them remain in the store room and they will go through them to see which ones might be appropriate to hang at the Farmer's State Bank. Once those are chosen, the remaining photographs will be packed up and taken to Ms. Sullivan. Joyce asked if a thank you had been sent to Lonnie Sprague who was a

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financial contributor to this exhibit. Candy asked if we had official Walker Art Stationary and Joyce said there was some at City Hall.

The Maynard Walker letter posters will be hung in both galleries during the months of April & May.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on a framed silhouette of Maynard Walker that was donated to this committee in 2003 by the Diane Rogers family. Joyce reported that the silhouette has not been located, despite inquiries of Heugh Endmondson & Greg Cooper who did extensive conservation work on the art collection several years ago. Candy and her husband went through all the shelves in the art room with no luck. Robert Cugno was contacted but he has no idea where it is. Library staff has also been looking with no results.

Joyce said that she would like to purchase a small safe that will be put in the art storeroom. Important lists and binders will be placed in this safe for easy access to committee members. The members gave Joyce permission to make this purchase.

OLD BUSINESS

Wanda reported that there were some confusion about the glass display case located in the hallway. Andrea's request was that something be displayed in it at all times if possible. If not, they would appreciate it being kept in the storeroom. There was never a mention of leaving the Christmas tree up year round.

Discussions continued on having local artists display art in the galleries. Tami talked about a local pencil artist she will contact; Tom & Betty Lewis and Leland Davidson were mentioned. Some thought will be given asking people who might be willing to display paintings they purchased from Milruth Busby and Irma Velthoen.

Art guilds in surrounding communities such as Ottawa & Paola might be another good source of art to be displayed in the galleries. The Paola Art Guild did this several months ago.

It was agreed that a Native American art display would be very interesting. Some members of the committee have items in their private collections that could be used along with local artists previously mentioned. The months of June & July were suggested.

Wanda adjourned the meeting at 5:08 pm. The next meeting will be March 15, 2018.

Recorded by Joyce Martin