Chewelah Arts Guild

July 18, 2023

In Person Attending: Diane E, Diana K, Susanne, Nondis, Traci, Leslie, Cindy, Tom, and Loretta.

Zoom Attending: None

President Diane E called the meeting to order.

Minutes:  For May 2023

·       Motion to accept minutes Leslie, Cindy seconded the minutes were approved.

Minutes:  For June 2023

·       Motion to accept minutes Leslie, Cindy seconded the minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report:

·       Motion made to accept Treasurer’s Report Leslie, Cindy seconded the Treasurer’s Report were approved.

Correspondence: Diana – the Chamber of Commerce renewal for 2023/2024 fee of $[75.00](http://75.0.0.0/). Motion made to accept yearly renewal for Chamber of Commerce Leslie, Cindy seconded the yearly renewal were approved.

·       Save the Day Chamber Auction and Dinner September 16, 2023, at the Civic Center

**Upcoming Events/Recent Events, Activities and Reports:**

Taste of Chewelah – Diana – Ten local restaurants signed up. Posters are in the process of being completed.

Art Auction – Diane – Art Auction committee will meet on August 1st; art will be requested during this time.

Gratitude’s – Diane extends her gratitude’s to all members of CAG for volunteering during the Children’s Art Festival. Warm thank you for hard work and dedication to:

Traci – “You just show up and do a ton. You research the square, you create the monthly newsletter, and provided the small buttons. Thank you very much.”

Nondis – “You work full time, you attend the CCD meetings, volunteered to work all day at the festival. You’re just awesome! Thanks a lot, Nondis!”

Leslie – “She practically runs the festival; she knows everything to know during the festival. Takes the aprons home to wash them, stocks the trailer and unstocks the trailer. Thank you!”

Susanne – “Thinker, writer, activist for the arts. She is constantly thinking about the arts, constantly writing, constantly being an activist, from the very beginning that is who you have been.”

Loretta – “You are a cheerful, willing, enthusiast. Proposing new event ideas.”

Cindy – “You are just so willing, always smiling and have beautiful hair. You signed up for two hours during the festival, but you stayed for the entire day. Thank you!”

Square – Traci – Would like to set up Square to use for the auction using the email from the website account. $500.00 free processing for the first 500 we do. Would need to work it through the same email that we use for the website. The first reader is free, will not need a terminal. With the App, can set up a Chewelah Art Guild log in for members to use while working Square for credit card and cash payments. Motion made to approve the purchase of Square and process by which we utilize this device service Leslie, Cindy seconded the motion made to approve the purchase Square and process by which we utilize this device service were approved. Thank you, Traci, for taking the time to research Square!

**Old Business:**

Children’s Art Festival – Tom – Thank you everybody for due gratitude’s. Diana and Tom will work together to complete the paperwork for the city report. A couple of artists’ receipts have been turned in. Will keep the festival to a one-day event. Leslie expresses her appreciation and thanks all the volunteers for their help at the festival. Tom will need to submit a crowd count to the city report. Discussion to start planning for 2024 festival in February. Leslie to secure the pavilion for 2024, Cindy research smoothie and food booth options for 2024, Tom will talk with fire department regarding food booth for 2024.

Membership Letters & Forms – Currently 43 paid members. Discussion to replace email second reminders to snail mail reminders. Morion made to use snail mail for membership due reminders for next year by Leslie, Traci seconded motion approved.

Current Membership Due – Motion made to move that this year to the ones we know that have not renewed membership that we snail mail a membership form by Susanne, Cindy seconded motion approved.

Second Prompt Discussion “I would like to see the Chewelah Arts Guild focus more on…” –

Diane K – Looking at the arts schedule and what has been done in the past. Have the Garden Show set bi-annually. Would like to bring back Joy to The World Christmas Concert.

Nondis – The Golf course would like to have more events at the golf course at the club house. We would need a place to have Joy to the World.

Dianne E – CAG has events about every other month. The missing month for an event is December. To resurrect Joy to the World would fill out our every other event month. Would like the Chewelah Arts Guild to provide art experiences and giving folks opportunities to express their art. The idea of the Recycled Arts and to do it as a First Thursday Pop Up to see if there is an interest. Garden Tour with music in August.

Susanne – Promotion and visibility to not confuse CAG with the Creative District. Increasing our membership volunteer base and making our statement admission more specific. Attracting involvement areas with youth. Personally invite high school art students to be active participants to help with the Art’s Festival. Our statement admission is broad and flexible but could clarify it with a byline with the terms of purpose, the Arts Guilds purpose is to celebrate, inspire, enrich the life of area residents, production and support of community art events and programs. To increase cultural awareness by bringing diverse people of all ages together through arts-based opportunities and to celebrate and support community arts through collaboration with local businesses and organizations and schools.

Cindy – Agreeance with Susanne with the Arts Guild. It is hard to find volunteers to help with events. It’s important to make that presence known with so many functions.

Roadside Clean Up – Roadside Clean Up will be rescheduled.

June Guest Speaker Melissa Alderings – Very informative with communication. Melissa offering to help promote CAG events.

Family Circle Band Fiddlers – Leslie – Would like to perform at events.

**New Business:**

Pecha Kucha – Scheduled for September 20, 2023. Have one spot, possibly two empty spots to fill.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 pm. *The next meeting is scheduled for August 15th at 5:30 p.m. in the PACA meeting room.*

Submitted by Loretta Nielsen

CAG Secretary