

Docent Board Meeting
Santa Barbara Museum of Art
Date: October 8, 2014

Present: Molora Vadnais, Linda Adams, Joan Dewhirst, Denise Klassen, Christine Holland, Teda Pilcher, Kathy Eastman, Ralph Wilson, Barbara Boyd, Paul Guido, Loree Gold, Mei Chih Ho, Vikki Duncan, Mary Ellen Hoffman, Patsy Hicks, Rachael Krieps

CALL TO ORDER:

President: Molora Vadnais

Molora called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM in Luria room. The Meeting minutes of June 11, 2014 were approved unanimously. Molora opened a discussion about docents missing their tour dates. It was agreed that Christine Holland will make an announcement at the next general docent meeting, asking all tour guides to be more vigilant in remembering their commitments. Molora moved to approve an LOA for Julie Allen, Joan Dewhirst seconded the motion, approval was unanimous. We will not need to fill Julie Allen's position in the Latin American Show. Patsy Hicks announced the Latin American Show may begin with a few pieces in the Family Resources Center.

BOARD REPORTS

Vice President: Joan Dewhirst

Thirty one people have signed up for the November 3rd bus trip to the Huntington Library. The trip will include a private tour of the renovated Japanese Garden and the expanded American Art Galleries. The cost per person is \$80.00 and lunch not included. The relatively high cost for the trip is because we are paying for early access to the Japanese gardens.

Joan announced that Molora will be hostess for our holiday party on December 8. Also, Joan announced a newly-formed Social Committee of: Christy Close, Nicola Gherson, Wendi Hunter, Denise Klassen, Sheila Prendiville, Mike Ramey and Geri Servi.

Secretary: Linda Adams

Get well cards sent to Julie Allen, Michele Milakovich, Laura Six and Francis Hallinan.

Treasurer: Denise Klassen

Denise sent a personal note to all Sustaining Docents as a gentle reminder to pay their annual dues.

Balance in Checking Account: \$6,467.06. Balance in Savings Account: \$10,002.30.

Membership: Mei Chih Ho

Mei Chih reported 316 total hours for the month of September.

Mei Chih suggested that we start a program for docents to submit biographies to LaMuse so that we can learn more about each other. She will take the lead on this project.

Adult Teams: Christine Holland and Teda Pilcher

Christine noted that Rachael's Touring Calendar should be our only reference guide.

Student Teams: Kathy Eastman

Kathy held a Student Team Leader meeting. Also, Kathy announced that she will have hip replacement surgery and she has appointed Gail Stichler as her stand-in on the board.

Provisional Chairs: Ralph Wilson and Mary Ellen Hoffman

Mary Ellen announced the possibility of developing a bifurcated program having the first half of training for Student Tours and the second half for Adult Tours. Provisional Class could begin in Spring for Student Tours and those Provisionals could start touring in the fall. Provisionals can elect to take either half of the training at their convenience.

Ralph announced that the Provisional training class will be held on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays.

Evaluations: Paul Guido

Paul requested a review of the evaluation process. It was agreed that we will change from one docent doing the review to two docents doing the review. Discussion was that this will create more objectivity in the evaluation process.

Research: Barbara Boyd

Barbara announced that Ralph Wilson and Ricki Morse are contributing several papers. Guy Strickland is doing research on our two bridges by Monet.

Webmaster: Loree Gold

Loree announced that Art to Zoo is up and there are 24 pages of notes in our web site. She asked if we could post curator's power points and lectures from docent meetings? Rachael Kreips announced that the Museum has another IT staff and work is resuming on posting lectures and talks with current items first then the backlog.

Nominations: Vikki Duncan

Vikki said her committee will begin work in November.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

Director, Patsy Hicks; Docent Program Manager, Rachael Krieps

Patsy announced that there will be several activities to enliven the museum during our remodel.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Kathy Eastman suggested we recognize Barbara Reudiger for 31 years of service.

ADJOURNMENT:

Molara adjourned the meeting at 11:35.

The next meeting will be November 12, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. in Luria.

Note: Monthly board reports are located behind the minutes in the Docent Council Board Meeting Minutes Binder located in the docent office.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Adams, Secretary

