

Foothills Craft Guild
Board Meeting Minutes for August/September, 2009
Unofficial; pending board approval

The August/September board meeting of the Foothills Craft Guild was called to order by President Molly Durr on August 29, 2009, at 1:15 p.m.

Board members present were Molly Durr, Robbie Gentry, Dick McGee, Kathy Seely, Jo Marie Brotherton, Ann Caudill. Also present were Aleex Conner and Karen Noggle. Those absent were Clay Thurston and Jessica Dockery.

Having a quorum present, the minutes were presented as posted in early August. **Gay Bryant** moved that the minutes for July (as well as any previously unapproved minutes) be approved and was seconded by **Robbie Gentry**. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented by **Dick McGee**. Because August had not ended at the time of the board meeting, **Dick** could not post the final figures for the month. He reported that the Office Max credit account had been closed by Regions Bank. Fed Ex bills would now be sent to the treasurer's (Dick McGee) address in order to avoid any further late fees. **Dick** recommended that in the future all credit card bills be sent to the treasurer's address. **Dick** further informed the board that delinquently cashed checks were sometimes re-deposited into the checking account, resulting in having to reissue those checks. He urged that all checks be cashed promptly.

Robbie Gentry and **Jo Marie Brotherton** presented the results of the August JuryFest. Due to diligent recruiting on the part of the co-chairs, there were 25 submissions for consideration. Submissions were reviewed by the board. Ultimately, 18 artists were accepted for membership. New members will be posted on the website. Any of these artists will be eligible for the "early bird" rate at the Fall Show. Next year's jury dates will be posted on the website in September.

A show report was presented by **Aleex Conner** and **Karen Noggle**. **Karen** recommended that plans for a spring show be tabled until 2010. She has been unable to receive commitments from several woodworking guilds; however, she would like to keep lines of communication open for partnership in the future. **Karen** would like to have a meeting to discuss ideas on the subject shortly following the Fall 2009 Show.

Aleex presented the Fall Show Promotion budget. **Dick** determined that the budget was over the amount allotted within the overall Guild budget. **Aleex** will re-evaluate and adjust to work within those parameters.

Karen informed the board as to current status of the Fall Show. The Appalachian Arts Craft Center will run the Kids' Activities again this year. She is working toward finalizing the final booth layout. Plans for the Friday night pizza party are in the works.

Molly announced the Nominating Committee for the 2009 board election. **Teresa Brittain, Jackie Mirzadeh, and Molly Durr** (until another recruit may be located) will serve. The slate of nominees will be presented to the membership by postcard, requesting that ballots be mailed to **Jessica Dockery** for tabulation, who will then announce the new board members at the Fall Show.

Jackie Mirzadeh will be looking for Fall Newsletter information in early September. Fall Show information will be included.

Office display pedestals are being painted by **Kathy Bradley**, who kindly volunteered to help in sprucing up the collection space. A work day was suggested.

Gay Bryant pointed out that National Craft Month is in March and wondered if the Guild could somehow take advantage of that time.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Caudill
Substitute for Jessica Dockery