

Foothills Craft Guild  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 7, 2009

*Unofficial; pending board approval*

Meeting was held at the Foothills Craft Guild office, Emporium Building. President Molly Durr called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The following board members were present: Ann Caudill, Dick Mc Gee, Jo Marie Brotherton, Gay Bryant, Robbie Gentry, Clay Thurston, Kathy Seely and Jessica Dockery. Show Director Karen Noggle was also present. Kathy Bradley was absent.

Board meeting minutes from November 5 were approved. General membership meeting minutes from November 16 were approved. Board meeting minutes from Dec 3 were approved with one correction.

Molly introduced **Kathy Seely**, one of the new board members. **Clay Thurston and Robbie Gentry** are also new board members, starting their second terms.

**Molly** would like to see the photo that **Clay** took of the five charter members at the fall show be placed on the website. **Karen** suggested placing it on the membership page. **Gay** will post the photo on the website.

**Dick** has created a notebook to keep at the FCG office to hold the monthly treasurer's reports. He would also like to post the monthly balance sheets, income statements and budget variance reports on the FCG website. Some board members are concerned about posting such detailed information on the website where anyone could access it. **Karen** asked whether this information could be password protected. **Gay** would not be able to program a password-protected webpage by herself. **Molly** suggested just having the balance sheet available on the website and email the other monthly reports to the board. Members could request copies of the other statements or read the copies in the FCG office.

Board positions for 2009 are as follows: **Molly Durr**, president; **Dick McGee**, treasurer; **Jessica Dockery**, secretary; **Ann Caudill**, scholarships; **Robbie Gentry** and **Jo Marie Brotherton**, standards committee; **Clay Thurston**, membership liaison; **Kathy Seely**, member-at-large; **Gay Bryant**, webmaster. **Gay** will make changes to the membership directory on the website.

Juryfest dates for 2009 have been set. Applicants can drop off their artwork at the FCG office in the Emporium Building on Friday, February 13, from 10am- 5pm, Saturday, February 14, from 10am- 2pm and Sunday, February 15, from 10am- 2pm. Juryfest will be held on Saturday February 21 at 10am, with a board meeting to follow at 1pm. Artwork can be picked up on February 27 from 10am- 5pm, February 28 from 10am- 2pm, or by appointment on March 1.

The spring general membership meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 4, at 6:30 pm in the Emporium Building. This will take the place of the FCG monthly board meeting.

**Dick** asked how many applications for Juryfest have already been received. He would like to send personal invitations to jury to guest artists and other contacts through TACA and Southern Highlands. **JoMarie** will check with **Aleex** to see if she can place freebie advertising for Juryfest in some of the local publications.

**Dick** presented the 2009 proposed budget. His ideas included taking the fundraising and newsletter positions that are currently performed by **Aleex** and move them inhouse. The money saved from paying for these duties could be used to pay for the new membership director. Some of the board disagreed with this suggestion. The board agreed that the newsletter could be a responsibility of the new membership director, but that **Aleex** should still be in charge of fundraising. The rest of the money to pay for the membership director position had to be found in other areas of the budget. **Dick** will email draft changes of the 2009 budget to board members after the meeting to be voted on through email. **Aleex's** 2009 contract will also be emailed for board members to vote on.

**Molly** adjourned the meeting at 10:20 pm. The next board meeting is to be held on Wednesday, February 4, at 6:30 pm in the FCG office at the Emporium.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Dockery

Secretary