

## **Foothills Craft Guild**

Board Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2006

*Unofficial; pending board approval.*

The May meeting of the Foothills Craft Guild board was held at FCG office, Emporium Building. President **Dennis McAvoy** called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm. The following board members were present: **June Crowe, Gay Bryant, Bob Conliffe, Jessica Dockery, Molly Durr, and Clay Thurston.** **Karen Noggle** also attended. **Cutter Watkins** and **Ann Caudill** were absent.

The minutes from the April board meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report was approved.

**Bob Conliffe** introduced **Tony Kampwerth**, president of the Tennessee Artists Association (TAA). They presented the idea of the FCG and TAA jointly renting a space next to Jerry's Artarama. Possibilities for the space included a joint art gallery, meeting space, and renting portions of the space for artists' studios. The idea ultimately failed because of management and financial concerns.

**Dennis** reported that the quality of artwork at the Market Square Festival was much nicer this year. Even though FCG did not partner with the DAF as in years past, many Guild members participated individually in the Festival on Market Square.

The price for a booth space at Math Alliance Convention was raised from \$307.50 to \$400 a booth with no sharing. About 8 booths are available for rent. Information has been distributed to membership with links to the registration form and information. The general feeling was that not many FCG members will participate due to the high cost and the ruling that booths cannot be shared.

**Karen** reported that she has fall show contracts for 4 marketplace spaces, 10 demo booths, 18 10x15 booths, and 94 10x10 booths for a total of 128 booths. Out of those, 41 are commission booths. Contracts are still being accepted. The show can fit about 147 booths total. Bookmarks for the fall show are now available for distribution and can be picked up at the Emporium main office. **Jessica** will take some of the bookmarks to the TACA show to be distributed to our members.

**Clay** has made several changes to the digital photography standards. Artists wishing to apply will have submit five prints; three prints will just have to be matted and two of the prints will have to be matted and framed. They will also have to submit a photo of their booth. Clay has also clarified *over manipulation* to mean "major elements added or removed." Some artistic manipulation of photographs may still be considered. A question was also raised about whether or not photo note cards should be allowed. This issue will be discussed further at the next meeting. The standards will need to be finalized before the fall jury fest.

**Karen, Molly, Gay**, and several of the quilters from the Smoky Mountain Quilters Guild will meet with officials from Pellissippi State tomorrow to present the idea of a spring show. The show would be held on May 18-20, 2007. The quilters would hold their part of the show inside the Administration building and the FCG would set up outside in the courtyard. The FCG and the SMQG would jointly like to offer a one year \$1,000 scholarship to a PSTCC art or media technology student. FCG would like to ask the school to support the show with some advertising. We would also like to look at the possibility of having an annual spring show at PSTCC and keep a continuing relationship with the college.

**June** moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. The next board meeting is to be held on **Tuesday, June 6, at 6:30 pm** in the FCG office at the Emporium.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Dockery  
Secretary