



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Inn at Grand Glaize, Osage Beach, MO  
March 11, 2011**

**ROLL CALL**

Peggy King	Martha Greer	Bill Merritt
Vic Barr	Joyce Rosen	Tresa Killion
Carol Knox	Jeff Walker	Stephanie Witte
Mary Beth St. Clair	Jeanne Scott	

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Peggy King called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

Jeff Walker moved that the minutes from the Board Meeting in January 2011 be approved. Vic Barr seconded the motion. All approved.

Susan Lumsden tendered her resignation from the Board and as Chairperson of the Jury Committee. A motion to accept Susan's resignation was made by Carol Knox and seconded by Joyce Rosen. All approved.

The need to fill the Jury Committee Chair position before the June 2011 Jury Session was discussed. It was decided that a search to fill the Jury Committee Chair position should be pursued immediately and that volunteers would be sought out at ArtSmart throughout the weekend. Further an email blast and newsletter job vacancy posting would be used to seek out nominees for the Jury Committee Chair.

A short discussion followed as to whether or not juror anonymity is a necessity. It was decided that the Board should be able to know the identities of the jurors but not the membership at large. Due to time constraints and an inability to resolve this issue at meeting Vic Barr called to table the discussion for the time being.

Carol Knox nominated Jeanne Scott to fill the position of Recording Secretary for the current year. There were no additional nominations from the floor. Stephanie Witte seconded the motion. All approved.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Vic Barr gave a summary of both the calendar year and fiscal year profits and losses. Calendar year to date income is reported as \$19,037.67 and fiscal year income is reported as \$16,499.76. Total liabilities and equities stand at \$75,201.24. Jeff Walker moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Joyce Rosen seconded. All approved.

Discussion followed regarding the need for Linda Bohnsack to become a signatory on the MAA/BOMH bank account. Vic Barr moved that the necessary paperwork be completed to allow Linda to become a signatory on the MAA/BOMH checking account. Joyce Rosen seconded the motion. All approved.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

No report available.

## **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Joyce Rosen reported that she has compiled a list of Board recruits and contacted most of them. Joyce provided a list of recruits and why or why not they may be willing to run for the Board of Directors. It was decided that no special election to fill Board vacancies would be held, but that Joyce's work in contacting potential candidates was good information to use as a slate of nominees is developed for the fall elections.

The immediate appointment of Don Kelley to fill Susan Lumsden's vacancy for the rest of the calendar year was discussed. The Board voted to authorize the President to offer a position on the Board to Don Kelly to run until the end of 2011. After that term Don could be nominated for the regular fall Board elections. Jeff Walker moved to accept the authorization of Peggy King to offer a position on the board for the remainder of 2011 to Don Kelley. Bill Merritt seconded. All approved.

## **ACTIVITIES REPORT – Status Reports**

### **ArtStravaganza! 2011**

Martha Greer opened discussion. It is unclear whether this event will happen in 2011. There is no standing committee performing the work for ArtStravaganza this year. Martha Greer and Joyce Rosen will research possible volunteers to take on this task and also venues for this event. Joyce Rosen suggested moving the location and Chesterfield Mall in Chesterfield was discussed. Bill Merritt recommended changing the venue sooner rather than later. Mary Beth St. Claire suggested a more upscale or sophisticated venue. Joyce will check into the possibility of Chesterfield Mall and report back to the Board.

### **Big Red Box 2011**

Vic Barr reported that in its 5<sup>th</sup> year the 2010 Big Red Box was the most successful in its history. A common desire to see the show continue was expressed. Martha Greer will follow through on updates to the Board. There is nothing else to report at this time.

### **Celebrating Creativity 2011**

Martha Greer reported that Jerry Cox and Ellen Klamon are on schedule with planning.

### **Silver Dollar City 2011**

Jeff Walker reported that there are 8 weeks available for artist demonstrations and retail sales at Silver Dollar City for this fall's Festival of American Craftsmen. Jeff will report the open dates to the Board via email and asked for help in finding artists to fill the openings.

Jeff Walker further reported that the Made in Missouri applications have been mailed out for a new juried show held at Silver Dollar City September 10 through October 29, 2011. This exhibition is open to all MAA/BOMH Juried Members. The management of Silver Dollar City will jury the show, so Juried Membership does not guarantee acceptance into the show. More details may be found in the brochure/application form. There have been no applications received yet for the show. Jeff is expecting at least 75 applications in order that 50-60 are accepted for exhibition.

A need for collections points for the accepted artwork was discussed. Peggy King offered her services for the Columbia area. Martha Greer agreed to contact Arts Councils and other arts organizations to secure other collection points.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Martha Greer reported that she continues to transition into her new position: So far so good. She is currently learning and reviewing past practices and programming and introducing herself to current and past BOMH partners.

Martha reported on the status of grants and all paperwork is up to date. She warns that there will most likely be a decline in MAC funding this year due to budgetary constraints. She is also continuing to research new grant opportunities.

Martha reported that Kentucky Crafted Market features several MAA/BOMH Juried Artists this year. Mike Ochonicky is serving as the MAA/BOMH contact person for this year's show. The need for a committee to oversee all of MAA/BOMH's wholesale show opportunities was discussed. It was agreed that we need a committee and chair and a show representative for each show, but that they not necessarily be the same person.

Martha attended Citizen's Day at the Legislature on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Bill Merritt joined her that morning. She met with Michael Donovan, Assistant Director of Missouri Arts Council and reported that he is very excited about the direction of MAA/BOMH. She discussed partnerships and outreach ideas with Michael.

For activities and items of interest Martha reported interviews she has given, show openings and meetings attendance. She is continuing to research Directors and Officers Insurance coverage.

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

Carol Knox reported a loss of 5 Corporate Members, 27 Juried Members, 2 Juried Studios, 50 Members and 6 Student Members. She further reported that we are gaining 7 to 10 new members every month. She now has two years of tracking data available. Overall, between members that didn't renew and new members added to the rolls, we are at about the same level as last year at this time.

### **JURY COMMITTEE REPORT**

There is nothing to report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mary Beth St. Clair gave a brief history of what the MAA/BOMH display at the Governor's Mansion has been and asked for guidance on how to continue. Discussion followed and it was decided that changing the display no more often than twice a year and maybe only once a year would be best for all concerned. There was also a brief discussion of educational outreach to statewide schools to create Christmas ornaments for the Christmas tree at the Governor's mansion.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Martha Greer is developing the budget for fiscal year 2011-2012. The budget must be in place by June 30 and will be discussed at the May Board of Directors Meeting.

Peggy King handed out a proposed new Conference Scholarship and Professional Development Award Policy that was developed by the Conference Steering Committee this year. She asked that all read and make suggestions and respond back to her directly.

Bill Merritt handed out a written proposal regarding student membership and mentoring. He asked that all read and make suggestions and respond back to him. The need for the formation of an Educational Outreach Committee was discussed.

Garnetta Sullivan provided a proposal to update the Members Only Area of the MAA/BOMH website. There would be a cost associated with the proposal that would add a forum feature to the site, among other things. Garnetta was not in attendance. Board

members were encouraged to read the proposal and be prepared to make remarks at the May board meeting.

Mary Benjamin and Peggy King gave a brief review of the logistics of ArtSmart. The future of ArtSmart was very briefly discussed and Peggy asked that all of us try to learn as much as possible from the conference attendees regarding future conference preferences. All further discussion was tabled for post-conference discussion.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Jeanne Scott