



**Missouri Artisans Association / Best of Missouri Hands
Board of Directors Meeting Zoom Meeting
December 14, 2020**

Respectfully Submitted by Kim Kienbusch Cliffe

Present: Nancy Koehler, Peggy King, Kim Kienbusch, Nancy Brickner, Patty Muenks, Kim Carr, Michael Gaines, Wanda Tyner, Allison Norflett Bruenger and Don Crozier

Secretary's Report: Kim Kienbusch Cliffe

Kim Kienbusch asked if all received the minutes. One correction by Peggy King was mentioned. Patty Muenks approved the minutes and Nancy Koehler 2nd the motion. All approved.

President's Report: Nancy Koehler

Nancy Koehler stated that the Covid vaccines started today, and will be taking some time before the general public is inoculated. Suggested maybe the Fall of 2021 might be the best option, but also the fall art shows may interfere.

Peggy King responded that Stoney Creek will let us carry into 2022 and will hold the down payment. She thought we should keep the down payment there and not ask for the \$2650.00 refunded. Michael Gaines agreed with that. Kim Carr said that fall would be acceptable, but Allison Norflett Bruenger thought we might want to consider what the stats of hospitalizations and death rates were at. Nancy Brickner added that maybe we should put off till 2022, because of the uncertainty of 2021. Patty Muenks suggested to wait until 2022, if Stoney Creek would honor or down payment till then. Still guessing about 2021, she is for 2022. Nancy Brickner said we should look at the contract to see if we would lose any monies if we postponed till 2022. Nancy Koehler asked for us to vote to postpone to 2022. Michael Gaines made a motion to cancel 2021 and move to 2022. Patty Muenks seconded the motion. Peggy King will ask for a new date at Stoney Creek. Nancy Koehler called for a motion, motion passed.

A question from Chester Lux came thru Nancy Koehler; could we be a partner with Art Shows? Michael Gaines stated that if we did it for one, we would be having a lot of them asking for sponsorship. Kim Carr said she would check into what organizations are a part of BOMH that do shows. Allison Norflett suggested that we put it out on Social media to see what BOMH members attend what shows?

Vice President's Report: Marcia Menendez

Marcia was not able to attend, stated Nancy Koehler.

Matthew Piper and Lee Richards seats on the board to expire in 2021. Michael Gaines also in 2021, he said he will stay on as an advisor with grants. Don Crozier will be staying on, and possibly Lee Richards.

Treasurer's Report – Don Crozier

Don Crozier said that Peggy King sent out Financials. We have \$58,000 and our budget is \$36,000. We are looking good and dues are coming in now.

Regional Events - Patty Muenks – Committee chairperson, Wanda Tyner – Committee Member

Patty Muenks has nothing to report due to Covid 19. Michael Gaines and Patty Muenks are working on a BOMH slide show.

Grants - Nancy Koehler – chairperson, Michael Gaines – Board Consultant

Michael Gaines with the Mo. Arts Council said our report isn't filed yet, normally due in September. We can change any info until June 30th. He states that BOMH can do online shows, workshops etc. and all is good with grants, all are fundable up to June 30th. All is in good shape. Nancy Koehler stated the 2021 interim report will remove spring series. The 2022 grant proposal due February and will put the ArtSmart conference on that one. Not sure of the Visiting Artists status yet.

Communications Committee - Marcia Menendez- Chairperson, Kim Carr – Committee Member, Social Media and newsletter

Kim Carr gave the updates for Social Media: 809 Instagram followers, FB- 3493 followers and Utube – 58 Subscribers, all up in numbers. Also Patty Muenks is a monitor for an encouragement group and connects with other artists.

On line Workshops – Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Wanda Tyner

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Wanda Tyner Asked for the motion for \$300.00 for Nina Miller. It was motioned first by Patty Muenks and 2nd by Kim Carr. It was approved. Also motioned by Wanda Tyner to approve \$1300.00 towards the online workshops for 2021, it was 2nd by Allison Norfleet Bruenger. It was approved.

Visiting Artists Program

Michael Gaines said we can relocate any funds for online workshop and Visiting Artist Program. Michael Gaines also stated that we can put the monies for Nina Miller (\$300) at Wilson School under the visiting Artist program. Videoing Nina Miller will take permission from the school and will have to go through proper channels. Wanda Tyner suggested that maybe we could do a more interactive session with the schools, thus reaching more schools.

Jury Committee - Marcia Menendez – chairperson, Lee Richards- committee member

Brought up by Nancy Koehler, start advertising on social media, jurying for membership on February 1st of 2021.

Membership Committee - Nancy Brickner- chairperson

Nancy Brickner asked for help from Wanda Tyner and Kim Carr, with new BOMH with members getting Social media links, etc. 2 new members and 1 condolence cards sent out.

Old Business

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Wanda Tyner suggested helping more artists with virtual fairs. Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Eventeny as a computer program for setting up virtual booths and exhibitions, www.eventeny.com/event/management

Wanda suggested a virtual workshop on Eventeny with clients and members. Michael Gaines suggested publish photos of artists' works and put online with all info about their art. And maybe promote by region. Kim Carr asked for images for the newsletter to be submitted for the newsletter by February 1st, 2021. Kim nominated Allison Norfleet Bruenger for graphics for the images submitted.

Peggy King is checking with Tresa Killion about her check for Professional Development Grant.

Peggy King also noted that Danita Wood said there is no Missouri Life Show this year in the Spring, but perhaps in the Fall. Powell Garden may sponsor one this year at their facility in the Spring.

New Business

Nancy Koehler suggested these Board meeting dates for 2021 on Zoom; February 15, April 12, June 14, Aug 16, Oct. 18, Dec. 13, starting at 10:00 am.

An Annual meeting on April 17, 2021 was scheduled. Kim Carr suggested a person to do a presentation, and acknowledge new Juried Members. Kim Carr will provide a slide show. Peggy King is doing a calendar on BOMH site. MAC has requested a list of active visual artists. Kim Carr will get list together and send to Nancy Koehler.

Executive Session

Nancy Koehler and Don Crozier suggested an end of year bonus to Peggy King and Kim Carr, each \$500.00. Michael Gaines gave 1st motion, and Allison Norfleet Bruenger 2nd the motion. All voted and approved motion.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:33pm

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MISSOURI'S ARTISTS AND ARTISANS

Primary goals of the Best of Missouri hands are to advance the art in Missouri by:

- *Educating the public about Missouri arts and crafts
- *Educating its members and the community at large through a bi-annual conference, periodic newsletters and active website and other interactive communications
 - *Providing technical assistance and mentoring artistic development
 - *Offering regional and networking opportunities
- *Rewarding excellence through its jury process
- *Preserving cultural heritage through public education, exhibition and other projects.