



**Missouri Artisan Zoom Meeting
August 16, 2021
10:00 am – 1:00 pm**

Secretary: Kim Kienbusch Cliffe

Kim read the minutes from last meeting. Marcia Menendez gave approval and Allison Norfleet Bruenger seconded them.

Presidents Report: Nancy Koehler

The new members were announced as well as attendance at the meeting, they are as follows:

Nancy Koehler, Peggy King, Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Patty Muenks, Don Crozier, Marcia Menendez, Nina Miller, Angel Brame, Annie Webster, Melanie Henry, Wanda Tyner, Lee Richards, Michael Gaines and Kim Kienbusch Cliffe.

Nancy Koehler also reminded the new members they have access to BOMH site.

Vice President's Report: Marcia Menendez

Marcia Menendez asked each new member to say something about themselves.

Melanie Henry is a Fiber Artist, making handbags and is a HR manager

Annie Weber, Fiber Artist, and makes Wall hangings. She is from the Western side of the state.

Angel Brame, Full line Ceramic Artist.

Nina Miller, Glass Artist. She is a Business Manager and works with children in schools. She has volunteered for the Visiting Artists Program.

Marcia Menendez went over the Board members' responsibilities and their end of term times on the BOMH board. Nancy Koehler talked to us about the President's Job. The president does the

agenda for the meeting, encourages people to join BOHM, runs the meetings, and helps with the Grant committee.

Marcia Menendez said we should elect officers today.

Nancy Koehler called for a vote to accept the slate of officers;
Patty Muenks as President; Allison Norfleet Bruenger as Vice President; Don Crozier as Treasurer ;
Kim Kienbusch Cliffe as Secretary.

Kim Kienbusch seconded the slate . All in favor, and all opposed was asked. The slate of new officers is passed by all.

Treasurer's Report: Don Crozier July 2021 – July 2022 Budget

Don Crozier added \$2,500 to the online workshops. Already \$1,000 in the workshops. ArtSmart 2022 budget to break even on it. Peggy King has 19 K for that.

Dues \$24,000 and contracted staff, \$18,000. \$2,000.00 Surplus for end of year.

Don Crozier made 1st motion and Kim Kienbusch Cliffe made the 2nd motion to pass.

Committee Reports: Patty Muenks Chairperson, Wanda Tyner Committee member

Patty Muenks stated that there is no work right now due to covid19. She had been posting artists work online on out sites.

Wanda Tyner stated the Lee Summit has an “On The Road” exhibit in 2022 and Hannibal arts Exhibit has one as well.

Lee Richards suggested a live video in a gallery to show are work. Maybe check with Mary Drastal would do one.

Patty Muenks asked if anyone would be interested in the Regional Committee. She went on to explain the job description. To reach out to all parts of Missouri to promote thru galleries, visitors centers etc. there is a lot of freedom in this position. Main goal is to set up artists thru State of Missouri.

Wanda Tyner suggested maybe an East and West representative, due to large area.

Zoom Workshops: Kim Carr Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Wanda Tyner Nancy Koehler stated these ideas:

Suggestions made for Zoom workshops: Caroline Edmund did Zoom meeting during Covid with workshops on Zoom. Also can go over marketing tips, critique sessions, view YouTube, find topics that are timely. Lorraine McFarland will do 3 Zoom workshops in September. These are listed on the spreadsheet distributed by Wanda.

Scheduling speakers is also an option. ArtSmart is in April of 2022.

Grants Committee: Michael Gaines, Board Consultant, Nancy Koehler, Chairperson

Michael Gaines was reporting on the final MAC grant report for 2021 year. He asked for \$6,000.00

and received \$4,032.00. The monies are used for Spring series-online, BOMH on the road, main events. Will be asking for larger amount for 2022. Will be working with Patty Muenks in future. Michael Gaines will still be writing up the grants and will go over the grant with the full board in the future. MAC cannot dictate what BOMH does with monies. We are waiting for award letter. Nina Miller also has grant writing experience.

Communication Committee: Marcia Menendez- Chairperson, Kim Carr, Social Media-Newsletter
Marcia Menendez updated the followers on these media items: YouTube – 67; Instagram- 944;
FaceBook – 3,559.
Marcia Menendez and Annie Webster taking over Artist Spotlight.

Jury Committee: Marcia Menendez Chairperson; Lee Richards, Consultant and board member;
Teresa Killion, Committee member

5 members submitted art work. All were juried in to BOMH. Kristin McMillian, Cindy Larimore,
Melissa Whitman, Christian Danna and Mickey Allen

Visiting Artist: Nina Miller, Chairperson; Mary Drastal, Committee member

Nina Miller does this 3 ways: in person, on zoom and Class/teacher and home/zoom. She does a
glass project of glass fusing, artist comfort level vender artist interview which include videos and
is posted to teachers in classroom. Nina Miller has all the cameras.
Artists to explain how they create their work, also available for elderly. She thinks additional
grants may be available.

Membership Committee: Nancy Brickner Chairperson

She sent out cards to 1 new member and 2 condolence cards.

Old Business:

Conference will be April 2022. The ArtSmart conference will be an event that artists will be
meeting other artists, attend workshops and be involved in breakout sessions. Friday night Frolics
are fun! Nina Miller added maybe we should organize something for Saturday night. Nancy
Koehler stated who was on the Conference committee: Patty Muenks, Nancy Koehler, Lee
Richards, Melanie Henry, Wanda Tyner, Peggy King.

New Business:

Discussed the partnership with Wendy Harris Cohen who owns Artisans in the Loop in St. Louis
and looking to sell the gallery. Discussed the accordance with the 501c3 and all expressed pros
and cons, but at this time would not fit into the BOMH's agenda or best interest.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:47pm Next meeting October 25, 2021

Mission Statement

The Best of Missouri Hands is dedicated to the development and recognition of
Missouri's Artist and Artisans

Primary Goals of the Best of Missouri Hands are to advance the arts in Missouri by:

Education of the public and about Missouri arts and crafts

Educating its members and the community at large through and bi- annual conference,

Offering regional and national networking opportunities

Rewarding excellence through it jury process

Preserving cultural heritage through public education, exhibition and other projects.