



Missouri Artisans Association  
Best of Missouri Hands  
Monday June 13, 2022 / Zoom Meeting  
10:00 am– 12:00pm

**Secretary's Report: Kim Kienbusch Cliffe**

Members in attendance: Kim Carr, Patty Muenks, Annie Webster, Don Crozier, Nina Miller, Peggy King, Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Angel Brame, Melanie Henry, Marcia Menendez, Nina Miller, Lee Richards and Kim Kienbusch Cliffe

Motion to approve minutes by Kim Kienbusch, seconded by Annie Webster, All in favor.

**President's Report: Patty Muenks**

Patty Muenks started with the confusion of the Professional Development Grant. She would like to get a committee together. Asked how to get this done? Kim Carr asked about the specification confusion. Peggy King stated that only Allison Norfeet Bruenger asked for it. Gave \$500.00 to her. When Peggy King checked the USPS box there was another applicant. After discussion it was decided to divide between Allison Norfleet Bruenger and Pat Berkbiggler, which amounted to \$250.00 each. This money was a private endowment of \$500.00.

Nina Miller says that flexibility can be done yearly. Both people could have been given the amounts they asked for. Annie Webster stated that we did not follow the correct application procedures. Annie Webster suggested to use a strict format. Patty Muenks suggested a committee to rewrite the application process. Kim Carr stated we already have a guideline to go by. Keep it in that application. The \$500.00 is a fair amount. Put it in writing who is on the scholarship committee. Nina Miller says to get a chairperson for this application process.

Marcia Menendez says we do have a committee. \$500 is a good amount. We did what we said we would. The deadline was extended and Pat Berkbiggler got in on time per Peggy King. Nina Miller suggested we should do it like the jury process. Online process and avoid snail mail (USPS).

Annie Webster is the Chairperson of Scholarship Committee along with committee members: Kim Carr, Marcia Menendez, Allison Norfleet Bruenger, and Patty Muenks.

Annie Webster will make Scholarship application site active with the help of James Bruenger. Annie Webster will review all applications and take off the existing application.

#### **Vice Presidents' Report: Allison Norfleet Bruenger**

Allison Norfleet Bruenger stated we did get people to be on the board:

Alex Johnmeyer  
Allison Bozart  
Michelle Mohr  
Linda Passeri  
Pat Berkbiggler  
Gornetta Sullivan

Allison Norfleet Bruenger has Bios for all board members and will contact others for all pertinent information. Will give all information to Peggy King to set up voting procedures. Will be sent out on FB. Keep a look out for it. With all new members approved it will give 16 members and only one on the board. Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Marcia Menendez, Nancy Koehler will remain as advisors.

Patty Muenks stated that they will be voted on by July 1 and sworn in by August meeting, plus execute board position.

#### **Treasurers' Report: Don Crozier**

Don emailed the financial report to Peggy King. Also requested feedback from Peggy King. We can discuss at the August meeting. In Don Crozier's experience we can change the budget anytime. Nina Miller would like the visiting artists left at \$1,500.00 for classroom visits. Can move from Professional grants to visiting artists if need be.

#### **Committee Reports**

## **Grant: Patty Muenks and Michael Gaines**

Patty Muenks stated that Sam.gov is being used for grants. All Government websites are merging and are giving a unique # to Missouri Artist Council. Website is difficult, you must validate all information. May need a physical address. Many non-profits are in the same situation. Michael Gaines is having the same problem. Final report turned in July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Peggy King said to use this address: 2101 W. Broadway not PO box.

## **Regional Events:**

### **Professional Development: Kim Carr, Allison Norfleet Bruenger, Wanda Tyner**

Next Zoom Workshops: July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, with Carolyn Edlund  
TikTok Videos – Catherine Alexander

The next workshop for Carolyn Edlund is “Prices for Profit”.  
Next August presentation is on new equipment on You tube by Kinderschuldt.

Annie Webster will do a frolic with fiber in November. Please send to Kim Carr.

Carolyn Edlund has received her deposit. Peggy King will get outstanding voucher to her.

### **Communication: Maricia Menendez- chairperson, Kim Carr – Social Media, Newsletter, Annie Webster, FB Artist Spotlight.**

Starting to use FB for more promotions and using the # more.  
FB 3613 followers  
750 Subscribers to newsletter  
Annie Webster spot lighting are good and well written.

Also putting out for a jury.

### **Visiting Artist: Nina Miller Chairperson**

Nina Miller stated that 6 people did 7 classroom visits. They brought samples and provided materials. Expenses through May \$736.00.  
Several artists can't find classrooms, Nina Miller will help.  
\$100.00 per video and \$100.00 materials. 3 classrooms per year. All showed their work and talked about their work.

Please contact Nina Miller if interested in doing this.

Nina Miller to write up guidelines about Visiting Artist as a set policy for the handbook. Nina Miller was left a full directory from Mary, which may make it easier to get in touch with school officials.

There is no one way to do this. Go to the school nearest to you, send the art teacher an email to promote themselves.

Now we are going into seniors at retirement homes. Kim Carr may put something on FB about this.

**Membership: Nancy Brickner, Nancy Koehler to present**

Sent out card for Gary McMichael.

**Conference:**

Nothing new for this topic.

**Old Business:**

Need to add more of a definition of a Missouri resident. The definition of the Missouri resident is a question on the jury application. Nina Miller suggested to grandfather in people that moved out of state. Kim Carr stated the biggest perk as a member is to have a page on our website.

Patty Muenks said that no need to put in the Bi-laws. This is not a common occurrence. We can vote next month for any changes needed.

**New Business**

Next Zoom meeting is August 8th, 2022 at 10:00am

11:56 am meeting adjourned

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