

ASGB Minutes
January 20, 2007
The Bead Museum

Attendees: Karen Sherwood, Laurie Nessel, Celeste Sotomayer, Christine Sutter, Kathryn Guler, Amanda Jeffrey, Michelle Coletti, Michelle Parchinski, Rita Schneck, Penny Dickinson, Tammy Jensen, Charlene deBoer, Adiel Garrison, Kiersten Kern, Gail Finney, Pam Lahr.

Penny introduced Katie Anderson, Director of the Bead Museum.

New classes will be held in the City of Glendale Annex, Bead room and always looking for new instructors. Beads can be consigned to the Bead Museum store, see manager Marliss if interested. Society level membership includes 20% off store purchases and ½ price admission and the once a year sale in the fall with 40% off merchandise, excluding books and lampwork beads. The group will also be notified of upcoming events and new classes via email. Trunk show today – African Beads and a new exhibit in May – Silver, when the Trajectories Exhibit leaves. Bead Venture: bead related travel – Cheryl Cobern Brown. A trip to Turkey coming up. Also, in October 2008 at a new conference center out by the Stadium will hold the International Bead Conference.

Old Business: Acceptance of October and November's minutes.

Welcome new members

Tammy Jensen

Pam Lahr – prospective member

Penny noted that the greeter box was getting low and asked members to bring wrapped beads to replenish the box.

Vote again on membership to the Bead Museum for \$200.00. Vote passed and all members received an ASGB membership card to show on future visits to the Museum to receive their benefits.

Penny received all of the Treasurer's books from Lynn and transferred to Karen Sherwood. Will set up a meeting at the bank to add Karen to account next week.

Table at the Best Bead Show:

Laurie has done up a flyer for the Tucson show and Kathryn has offered to get the printing done at her work for minimal charges. Volunteers for the table will be as follows: Penny Dickinson – Wednesday, Christine Sutter – Thurs, Carol Tanner – Friday and Kim Caballero – Sunday. Raychel notified us that we do not need to cover the table for the entire event so volunteers are will not have to cover the table the entire day they volunteered for. In addition to ASGB flyers we will have The Bead Museum brochures to set out as well.

Vote on paying for printing charges of 500 flyers. Vote passed.

ASGB website.

Looking for volunteer to check over website for updates or changes. Agree that cover page needs to be changed more often – preferably monthly and members should send photo's to Penny and she will submit them to Maria monthly (to avoid Maria Haynie getting so many different emails). Maria has been doing a great job and has suggested that for a fee, we do a members profile. Discussed and thought it may be a conflict if members are able to submit photos for the website for free. Also, members can post a business card and have a weblink for a fee in the past of \$6/year and \$12/ two years. In reviewing check register, Penny has found 5 members that paid weblink fees. Some will be up for renewal in April and others are passed due. Penny will contact members regarding renewal of weblinks. Various members have offered to look through the website from time to time and check for updates and changes and notify Penny or Maria directly.

Currently have 31 paid members and the group has decided to remove remaining unpaid members from the membership list and group email.

Kathryn – Bead exchange.

The bead exchange for February will be purple hearts. Each person gets one heart and the rest is donated to the Beads of Courage. The hole needs to be big enough for a leather cord to get through; use 1/8" mandrel horizontally or if vertical will need to be wire wrapped with a large hole.

Suggestions for following months:

March – hollows

April – millefiori

May – butterflies

Also, need suggestions for 3 month stretches – difficult beads to challenge our abilities. Previously have done a 3" or larger bead.

Beads of Courage donations.

We collected 28 beads to donate to the Beads of Courage, including hearts and butterflies at the meeting today. The winner of the most beads donated was Celeste, who won a \$25.00 gift certificate for Lonnie's, Inc.

ASGB Calendar.

Penny suggested putting an annual calendar together for the group. All members to submit beads and/or jewelry pieces to be photographed for the calendar. ASGB recoups money spent and all profits go to Beads of Courage. Could be sold in conjunction with fund raiser / show at hospitals that have the Beads of Courage program. Penny to get pricing information and photographer to possibly donate their services in exchange for advertising on the calendars. Will update members at the next meeting. Kathryn explained Beads of Courage to new members.

Education.

Laurie updates on prospective workshops:

Lori Greenberg no longer with Cattwalk presses. But willing to do a workshop on her own techniques using the presses.

Terri Caspary Schmidt not ready yet.

Andrea Guarino has not responded to emails.

Bronwen Heilman – yes, would like to do a workshop

Loren Stump won't commit until 2008

Special Events.

No update

Treasurer's Report:

After dues deposits, currently \$4,834.42 in account.

Note – Tink's class at MAC has been cancelled.

Next meeting dates:

February 25th Gail Finney

March 18th Penny Dickinson

Thanks to Amanda Jeffrey for taking minutes, as Anita could not attend.