

Minutes of ASGB January 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order by the President, Penny Dickinson at 1:15 pm at the Bead Annex of the Bead Museum in Glendale. There were 12 people in attendance- Barbara Mason, Karen Sherwood, Celeste Sotomayor, Candace Mackey, Kiersten Kern, Linda Sweeney, Jeannie Cox, Lisa Hamilton, Ann Kroll, Kat Guler, Amanda Jeffrey and Penny Dickinson. Amanda served as secretary pro temp.

Penny had given us sheets of information about several proposed teachers that we might invite within the next year or two to teach to the group. We filled out a questionnaire expressing our interests. Penny will send the information via email as well, for the people who did not attend the meeting.

Melanie Moertel, one teacher who will be in Oregon in August, should be able to come to Fire & Friends Z on August 21-23 to teach us, as she will be in the country at that time. Kiersten showed us one of her beads. The rate would be about \$300 for her 3-day workshop, as we would only need to pay for her airfare from Eugene Oregon to Phoenix. This is a great savings for us.

The November minutes were accepted.

There are still some beads that were not picked up after the photographs taken by David Orr. Penny will mail them to these members.

Kristina Logan has responded that she could teach in 2010, as early in the year as possible.

Sara Sally LaGrand can teach lampwork and/or wire work. Maybe 2 days of lampwork and one of wirework.

Jeff Barber, Andrea Guarino, and Anastasia has not yet responded. Heather Trimlett sent a list a different classes she could teach. The dates would be the beginning of May, 2009. She could teach buttons, vessels, marbles or advanced beadmaking, or a combination there of.

Penny recently learned that Katie Anderson resigned as director of The Bead Museum. Helen Norton is filling in as interim director. We discussed whether or not we should continue our group membership to The Bead Museum. We decided \$200 for the group was well worth the price and that the museum would benefit. It was proposed, seconded and passes, to continue our group membership.

Amanda discussed the date of February 15<sup>th</sup> for the group to go to the Chihuly exhibit at the Desert Botanical Garden. Recently it was determined that Valentines day weekend would be free to all. So the garden will be very crowded and there may be a lot of children. Lisa proposed that we still all go for free and then decide if we want to return later and pay for admission. The exhibit will be at the Garden through May. We will all

meet at the Papago Plaza at 11:45 am near the Bead shop. Papago Plaza is at the southwest corner of McDowell and Scottsdale Rds. They are expecting 30 people in our group. We should be able to find a place to sit and have a short meeting. The Garden also has gourmet coffees, a grill area and the Cafe. No food is allowed to be brought in to the Garden, but water is OK.

Amanda told the group that she and Kat had had beads published in The Flow. Karen had a bag of shorts of 104 glass that she gave away. She also had 2 older issues of The Flow and we drew names for those.

#### Bead Exchanges:

Hearts will be the exchange bead for February, so bring them to the Garden. Also make some in purple for the children in Beads of Courage charities.

In March we will make masks or faces for the exchange and quarterly stretch. Make one for the exchange and one for BOC donation.

April will be hollow beads and in May, make something off the end of a mandrel.

In June will be the next quarterly stretch and will be butterflies, for the exchange & BOC. Extra for BOC charities will be appreciated.

The next meeting will be March 22<sup>nd</sup> at Marcia Kmack's Cave Creek Studios, at the corner of Tom Darlington and Cave Creek Rd in Carefree. Tom Darlington is the extension of Scottsdale Rd.

In April, the meeting will be held at Karen's home.

The meeting at MAC has been postponed until June.

#### Treasurer's report:

Beginning balance	\$ 4464.67
FFZ studio rental	\$ 825.00-
David Orr Deposit	\$ 250.00-
Dividends received	\$ 1.90+
Deposit – for photography	\$ 467.00+
David Orr balance w/tax	\$ 273.50-
Deposit – dues, class fees & ISGB check for \$270	\$ 1605.00+
Staples – copies	\$ 13.32-
New balance as of 1-13-09	\$ 5176.75

The meeting adjourned approx. 2pm.