

The Loose Bead Society of Greater Milwaukee
Meeting of the Board of Directors
May 2, 2016
Brookfield Public Library

Board members in attendance: Maureen Bartz, Bonnie DeSautelle, Katy Hess, Becky Prusak, Allyn Steffen, Carol Surges, Kathy VanDemark

Unable to Attend: Cindy Collins, Kathy Merrill, Jan Mueller

Guests: None

Call to Order

- Katy Hess called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Approval of Minutes

- The minutes of the 03/07/2016 board meeting were approved as amended.
- The minutes of the 04/18/2016 membership meeting were approved as amended.

Volunteer Hours

- Submitted

Calendar Updates

- None

Submission of Expenses

- Submitted.

Officer/Committee Reports

Vice-President – Programming; Cindy Collins, Absent

- Carol Surges provided information to the Board regarding a metal work artist named Stephanie Voegelé who might be willing to speak at one of the meetings. Maureen Bartz took the information.
- Per Katy Hess, the best way to reach Cindy is via Facebook.

Vice-President – Special Events; Maureen Bartz

- The Bead-In has 32 registered attendees. Thirteen people have signed up for the morning class; eighteen have signed up for the afternoon class.
- The Bead Challenge will be revealed at the May membership meeting. Both the forms and the beads will be distributed.
- Maureen Bartz secured the beads at the Madison Bead Show. Dakota Stones provided a discount on the purchase of the gemstones. They have asked that the LBS send pictures of the finished pieces to them so that they can post them on their website.
- The 2017 Retreat is tentatively scheduled for March 10 – 12.
 - The conference room rates have increased by \$75/day/room for some of the rooms.
 - The Hot Glass Shop may be able to host classes.
 - Adele Kimpell from Bead Dreamers is available and will teach at the Retreat.

Community Service Coordinator; Jan Mueller

- Jan Mueller was absent.

Membership; Kathy VanDemark

- LBS currently has 205 members.

Treasurer; Allyn Steffen

- Reviewed Fiscal Year-to-Date Summary.
- The Board unanimously agreed to increase the parking reimbursement for the Admirals at the Bead & Button Show from \$15 to \$20.

President-Elect; Bonnie DeSautelle

- Bonnie DeSautelle plans to have the Bead & Button Show packets assembled by the next membership meeting.

Secretary; Becky Prusak

- Becky Prusak had nothing to report.

Past President; Kathy Merrill

- Kathy Merrill was absent.

Website Coordinator; Carol Surges

- Carol Surges reviewed changes she made to the website.
- Katy Hess suggested a volunteer tab.

President; Katy Hess

- The Board discussed the mardi gras beads and paper tag used to designate board members at the membership meetings.
 - Katy Hess passed around a proposed design for name tags.
 - Bonnie DeSautelle gave each board member a badge holder.

Unfinished Business

- Volunteer hour categories will be discussed at the next board meeting. Becky Prusak will prepare a draft listing of categories.
- Katy Hess provided an election update. One person has expressed interest in running for VP – Programming. If this person does not run, there may be another interested party.

New Business

- Carol Surges proposed that LBS offer a student scholarship. After discussion, the Board decided that more information was required. Carol Surges will perform some research, starting with the schools.
- Maureen Bartz suggested that due to continuing changes, the Board should verify what benefits members receive at the Bead & Button Show. The Board further discussed who should receive the benefits – all LBS members or only those members who volunteer.
- Katy Hess has been approached by someone who would like to inspect and possibly purchase the marudai that had been donated to LBS. The Board unanimously voted to use the marudai at the 2016 Bead & Button Show as a raffle prize. Maureen Bartz will determine an approximate value of the marudai.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Becky Prusak, Secretary