

WISCONSIN AREA CAMERA CLUBS ORGANIZATION

February 6th, 2016 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order on March 6th, 2016, at 9:07 am at Luther Manor in Milwaukee.

President's Report – Ken Warning

- The minutes of the November meeting was reviewed and there were two areas that needed correction; The Moats seminar is on March, not May; and the spelling of Marty Welter's name was clarified.
- Bill Rietz made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 7 meeting. Gerry Laehn seconded the motion. Minutes approved with corrections.

Vice president's Report – Elizabeth Whitcomb

- No report.

Secretary's Report – Paul Moertl

- No report.

Treasurer's Report – Dick Knisbeck

- General account has \$9,141.64. PayPal account has \$4,678.95.
- Motion to approve treasurer's report was made by Kathy Braun, seconded by Mike Matusinec. Approved.
- **Treasurer's report is attached.**

Executive Committee – Ken Warning

- Committee will meet right after this delegates meeting.

Competition Committee – Mary Dumont

- Last fall's competition had a net profit of \$279.00.
- The special categories for the Spring 2016 Competition are flowers and urbanscapes.
- A new process using an uploader was tested in two divisions during the November competition. The uploader worked very well, saved time, and simplified the scoring. A benefit of using the uploader is the acknowledgement of receipt of the image by displaying the images entered and a follow-up email. Any image that is rejected due to a sizing issue will also be displayed.
- The uploader will be used for all divisions in both digital and prints for the Spring Competition 2016. Digital images of prints will be necessary in order to create the score sheet. The handling of the prints will remain the same.
- There will also be a payment screen that will allow the use of PayPal for payments. PayPal will allow the use of any credit cards if a member does not have a PayPal account. We encourage all payments to be made with a credit card, but there will a manual option for payment by check.
- Jeff Klug and Mary Dumont went through a printed demonstration about the Uploader.
- The instructions for the use of the uploader will be on the website on the competition page.
- The WACCO delegate for each club should become familiar with the procedure and be able to explain it during a club meeting.
- Mary, Jeff, and Ken are available to any club that wants to have a presentation on how to use the Uploader.
- The uploader will be available by March 15th, and the deadline for submitting images is April 23, 2016.
- The WI Print Circuit is going well. Each club needs to be sure to score every image except for their club images.
- **Competition Committee Report is attached.**

Program Committee – Jeff Klug

- Mike Moats is almost sold out, only 8 seats left. The workshop is sold out.
- Linda Peterson made a couple of suggestions for speakers..
- The 2017 seminar will possibly be a sponsored speaker, and Rick Sammons was suggested.
- Ken Warning is looking for a place to hold seminars that are big enough to handle 150-200 people. If anyone has any ideas, let him know.

- Birds of Prey workshop will possibly be held on Sept. 24th, Oct. 1st, or Oct. 22nd.
- **Program Committee's report is attached.**

Website – Phyllis Bankier

- Phyllis gave a reminder for all delegates to make sure the directory club information is correct. Corrections are to be sent to her.
- If anyone has any ideas about what can be put on the website or any articles written by members, let Phyllis or Jeff know.

Exhibition Committee – Mary Dumont

- Pictures at the Ruess Center must be picked up during the week of March 7th to the 12th.

Membership Committee – Gerry Emmerich

- Gerry Emmerich will be visiting the MidWisconsin Photography Group and the LaCrosse Area Camera Club in March. Gerry is available to visit any club to discuss WACCO, or present a program.

International Salon – Jeff Klug

- The committee is preparing for PSA recognition

Awards Committee – Bill Rietz

- It was suggested that an award will be given to Charles Burke for his generous work on the uploader...

Nominations committee – Bill Rietz

- No report.

Old Business

- Jeff brought up that the Digital Forum email letter will no longer be produced. He is looking at a quarterly newsletter in a PDF format.
- It would also be easy to put advertising into the newsletter, which Jeff is looking into to cut costs.
- Geri Laehn is looking for people to judge competitions. Many people don't want to because they don't feel qualified. It seems that directly asking people to judge gets the best results.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Gerry Emmerich and seconded by Geri Laehn. Approved at 10:44 am.

Next meeting will be on May 7th at Waukesha State Bank in Oconomowoc to be followed by the competition.