Nassau County Camera Club Board Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 7, 2019

Board Members in attendance: Dave Curtin, Helen Albano, Valerie Interligi, Susan Kozodoy-Silkowitz and Steven Kessler.

Absent: Jane Allegretti, Julie Allegretti

<u>Treasurer Report</u>: Helen reviewed the Treasurer's Year End Report for 2018-2019 club year, the planned budget for 2019-2020 and the 8/31/2019 and 9/30/2019 statements – there is a balance of \$4,240.42 as of 9/30/2019.

<u>The Programs / Workshops Report</u>: Dave and Steven – There will be upcoming changes/cancellations in our programs/workshop schedule that will be reflected on the website calendar – 12/2 Drone Photography and 10/23 Scott Dere both cancelled due to the library construction schedule. The second half of club year schedule will be worked on soon.

<u>Judges Chair</u>: We welcomed Susan Kozodoy-Silkowitz as the new club Judge Chair and board member – Susan reported that she has already scheduled all judges for the first half of the club year.

<u>Competition Report</u>: Dave has assumed the position of Competition Chairperson and the first competition went very smoothly.

<u>Membership Report</u>: Steven – Paid membership is currently at 37 with numerous applications received via our club website for possible additional membership. Email welcome and information letters are sent to all applicants.

Webmaster Report: Julie/Jane - absent.

<u>Selection Report</u>: Valerie – committee has already submitted first PFLI images and everything is up to date.

<u>Old Business</u>: Last Board Meeting Minutes- reviewed and accepted. New laptop and projector used in first competition and presentations. Feedback on the new projector indicates that it is a nice improvement form our old projector.

New Business:

The club's annual library member exhibition with take place during the month of January 2020 - watch for future emails and Facebook website for details and information.

*** There will be multiple changes to this year's club calendar due to library construction in the main rooms we usually meet in. As noted earlier - We encourage all members to remember to check the NCCC on-line calendar, club emails and our Facebook page regularly for ongoing updates and new and cancelled calendar dates. In addition, all club meetings will now take place in meeting rooms 1-2 until further notice.

We will also check another venue to see if they can let us have some of our meetings there when the library has cancelled dates from our original full schedule of meetings.

Julie, Barry Elberg and Dave are continuing to explore how to automate the process of submitting monthly competition images to streamline and simplify this task for the Competition Chairperson and process. Our speaker, Alan Agdern, also suggested a possible program to explore for this.

A schedule for Hospitality Nights during some meetings will continue to be explored with the new calendar changes – Vinnie Como is coordinating this with the board. We will try to incorporate a "50/50" with this as well.

Funding for a monthly Adobe CC subscription for the new club computer is being explored. The possibility of a club debit card and/or PayPal account is being explored as well.

The board continues to encourage and request members to present in-house workshops and presentations to our members at this year's club meetings. Please

contact a board member if you're interested in doing this. We are always looking for volunteers as well to help with events and to act as backups for club positions.

The annual Members Choice Awards will continue for the 2019-2020 club year but with several proposed changes that the board is exploring. Updates will follow in future minutes, on Facebook, and via email after further board discussion.

The first PFLI delegates meetings was held at the end of September. The club's PFLI annual dues for 2019-2020 were paid already. PFLI is starting to organize their annual Spring Spectacular - possibly for April 2020. The PFLI Photorama was held this past Sunday, October 6, 2019 at Farmingdale State College. The first PFLI Competition is scheduled for Friday, October 11, 2019.

<u>The Mandatory Topic</u> for the 2019-2020 club year will be "Opposites". We are announcing this early so members can work on this starting this summer and throughout the club year until the scheduled competition in the late Spring.

Next Board Meeting: The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 9, 2019 at 6:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Submitted by Steven Kessler, Secretary