

Nassau County Camera Club

Zoom Teleconference - Board Meeting Minutes for Monday, 4/30/20

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

Treasurer Report: Helen reviewed the Treasurer's Report for 4/30/2020 and there is a balance of \$3,310.42.

The Programs / Workshops Report: Dave and Steven reported the workshops scheduled for the second half of the club year have been cancelled due to the library closing and health situation in the county. Exploring some on-line Zoom meeting possibilities.

Judges Chair: Susan reported that she is working on obtaining judges for on-line Zoom competitions for remainder of the club year.

Competition Report: Please check calendar for dates to see when images are due for the remaining competitions this year.

Membership Report: Steven reported no additions to club membership.

Webmaster Report: Julie reported that the new club competition scores and IOM winners and PFLI competition scores are posted on the club website.

Selection Report: Valerie reported that the committee met and submitted images to PFLI for this year's final PFLI competition.

Old Business:

Last Board Meeting Minutes and Budget report were reviewed and accepted.

Rules for promotion to Salon from the A Group were reviewed.

The Glennies were held in Massachusetts and results of our club's submissions for this competition will be added to Facebook and the club website soon.

Unfinished and Ongoing Business:

This year's Member's Choice Awards will be on hold for the time being due to our inability to have a regular meeting and voting by members- it will be rescheduled for some time in the fall.

Nomination Chair/Elections - Due to our inability to have regular meetings in March and April, a nomination chairperson could not be named and a slate of 2020-2021 officers was not presented to the membership. Due to this, the board served as the nomination chairperson and the current officers will be presented to the membership as a slate of officers for the upcoming 2020-2021 club year. Dave will be sending out an email regarding this and asking for any alternate slates. An on-line election voting format will be developed shortly & made for members to vote for 2020-2021 officers.

Obviously, the library is still closed and we have no update on the status or time frame for the ongoing repairs. We do not know how or if this will effect the 2020-2021 fall schedule. Stay tuned for details as they are available.

The Mandatory Topic for the 2019-2020 club year was "Opposites". Due to some members inability to get out and shoot for this theme while others have managed to do this. There is now a question of how to handle this themed competition. Dave will send out an email to check members' status for this event to see if we will continue with this theme, use regular images or have a hybrid judging of some type. Please respond to this email in a timely fashion as per the email.

New Business:

The end of the year party at Palmers originally scheduled for June 2020 has been postponed due to the ongoing concerns of the Covid 19 epidemic. We are in the process of rescheduling it as a holiday party with a possible date of December 8, 2020.

We will still have competition awards and plaques for 2019-2020 A, B, Salon and Creative competition winners as well as all the other typical categories as we have had each year. However, the plaques cannot be made for a while as the stores are closed. Tentatively, they will be presented at the End of The Year/Holiday dinner in December 2020.

We thank John Bruno for his on-line Zoom judging for both the March and April competitions. We have gotten a lot of positive feedback from members about these on-line competitions. Pending the calendar and the library availability for the 2020-2021 year we may explore the need for future on-line competitions and/or meetings.

Updated Salon promotion rules were reviewed and revised and will be amended for advancement from A to salon. The top scoring A group member for the 2019-2020 will advance to the Salon group for the following year if she/he has a final score of at least 76. The older standard was deemed too high and in reviewing the past two year and the highest scores by A members the board has decided to move Ellen Gallagher, Susan Silkowitz and Judi Feinman to the Salon group starting with the 2020-2021 club year. Any A member this year with a cumulative score of 76 or more will also move to Salon for the 2020-2021 club year.

The final End of The Year competition will be different this year with the library being closed and judges unavailable to score in person. The three judges, being arranged by Susan, will receive the images prior to that date by email from Dave and will have a few days to score all the images and send their scores to Dave. Our End of The Year competition is still scheduled for June 1, 2020 but will be an on-line Zoom review of the images and scores by the three judges.

Adorama Photo is being added as a club sponsor on our club website. There will be a discount for members once this has been finalized.

Next Board Meeting: The next on-line Zoom Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. - Submitted by Steven Kessler, Secretary