



## **MAEA Meeting Minutes**

**Location: Worcester Art Museum**

**DATE: 10/15/11**

**Attendance:** John Michael Gray, Cory Shepherd, Carol Vogel, Kristi Oliver, Sarah Dugan, Christopher Whitehead, Carol Ann Tebbets, Eva Kearney and Coni Moore

**Christopher** calls meeting to order 12:15pm

**Treasurer's Report:** \$17602.66

Increase in enrollment due to upcoming conference.

**Scholastics:** "Up and running", people are registering, judging is during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January, we went back to identifying teachers with students (kids have to register with a teacher or have a teacher do it for them), teachers who are in the system don't need to be put in again, kids information also rolls over, a new catalog comes out every year and we will have some at the Conference in Hyannis this year. The photo exhibit will happen next month. MA Scholastics is the most participated-in event in the US.

JMG: It would be good to know much would Art All State like to spend for budgeting purposes.

Kristi: We usually request \$1000. Being the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we might request a little more. We'll analyze and resubmit earlier this year.

**Art All State:** It is the 25<sup>th</sup> year. The Alumni Studio: Alumni will apply in similar fashion as the students, and they will work in a studio. The feedback has been great from those Alumni. There will also be an Alumni exhibit, with artwork hanging in the WAM Education Wing, with a digital component as well. Sarah and Kristi are working on an alumni-networking event, to get more established artists interested (possibly at the Armsby Abby). Looking for artist applicants, encourage talented artists to apply to Gillian. Opening Reception is at the Arnheim Gallery at MassArt on Oct. 25. Approved to do a panel discussion at NAEA with artists, steering committee members, etc. Date is TBA.

**Youth Art Month:** Christopher: We need a set annual budget for YAM. Sound System issues were discussed – renting, buying, some affordable solution is needed. Christopher does not want to be YAM chair, as it conflicts with his duties at WAM, and he is quite busy as President and webmaster. Kerri Bart-Raber expressed a willingness last year, and we are waiting to confirm. Christopher will contact her

ASAP. Christopher cannot be here during the hanging because he will be at delegates. **Therefore, we will change the hanging date (earlier?) as this will be a difficult time.**

**Website:** Christopher put the current (possibly outdated) bylaws on the website. June had proposed redoing them over the summer but it has not been attended to yet.

The site was down briefly, but is now back up.

The MAEA registration page is working very well this year, with a confirmation page sent directly to Christopher and a PayPal account set up.

It was agreed that Christopher will forward all of the registration pages to JMG, who will print them at his office.

A MAEA member (John Krenick) has requested that under “opportunities” a link be included for research, and has also submitted a research paper. It was agreed as a good idea. Kristi suggests that “opportunities” be changed to “resources” so that “research” fits more appropriately. Christopher will write an explanation to be on the website and will add a submit button. Terms: Submissions must be from MAEA or NAEA members. Coni suggests that we put the current research work of Kathy Miraglia and Cathy Smilan at UMASS Dartmouth, and Patty Bode from SMFA.

Carol: On the YAM website, the flag form is not there, and the link is expired. **During the tech meeting, Christopher will look at the PDF documents associated with this.**

**On the website, Christopher will add that conference attendees who identify themselves at some of the museums will receive a discount.**

### **Conference 2011:**

There have not been any visual submissions yet for the show. Ideally this would be member artwork. Cory might include a request in the next blast (TBD). JMG has received 3 new submissions, in addition to approximately 30 from the summer.

JMG: Many of the museums and institutions listed on the conference packet have contacted JMG and said that if Conference attendees identify themselves, they will receive a discount.

Awards: A completed list is now available.

Registration will be closed at midnight on Nov. 5.

Last year, we had just over 200 in attendance. So far this year, there are 47 (?) registered. Including the board members and presenters who have not yet registered, that number would be 100.

Room reservations: So far, 24 on Friday, 25 on Saturday. Goal is 75.

Exhibitors: 8 paid for tables, 2 open exchange tables where sketchbooks, door prizes, and other materials will be displayed. MassArt will have a table, NH Institute of Art, Davis Publication 2 tables.

**Cory will ask Wyatt Wade of Davis publications if they would be interested in donating awards for our 9 winners.**

Dick Blick is sending door prizes in exchange for putting out conference materials.

National Gallery of Art sent catalogs for display.

Christopher: Sargent asked if they can have a table and not send a rep. JMG said yes, that's been offered everyone.

Tables and table clothes are being loaned to MAEA for free this year.

Prospective Self Esteem / life coach presenter Brenda Stanton: JMG has asked for more information regarding the content, and will ask her to focus on classroom education and not her commercial adventures.

Carol Ann proposes that presenters need to be members next year. Some people questioned whether this would exclude people we want to include. Cory suggests that whatever the determination is, it be in step with the decision regarding submitting research papers for the website.

Lesson Plan exchange: board members need to facilitate this exchange. JMG will send out an email with times and grade levels needed. These facilitators will not need to bring lesson plans, but are encouraged to bring laptops and flash drives for facilitating a digital exchange for members.

Coni: I have years of notes from Meetings. Cory: I can archive these using my dad's fancy scanner.

A video game designer will be at the conference.

Board Members do not need to be there the night before, but should plan to arrive around 3pm on Friday.

Sarah will do the membership table.

**Next Meeting (Post Conference): Wednesday, November 30, 2011, 5pm, at Marlborough HS.**

**Adjourned: 2:15**

**Followed by Technology Committee training led by Cory and Christopher.**