

Nassau County Camera Club Board Meeting Minutes for Monday, May 7, 2018

Board Members in attendance: Dave Curtin, Helen Albano, Jane Allegretti, Julie Allegretti, Joe Senzatimore, Ken Thalheimer and Steven Kessler.

Absent: Valerie Interligi

Treasurer Report – Helen reviewed the Treasury Report of April 30, 2018 – there was a closing balance of \$4,645.98. The report was read and accepted.

The Programs / Workshops Report- Joe – nearing end of the year and all remaining club meeting dates for this year are filled with workshops and presentations.

Judges Chair: Joe - Judges set for rest of the remainder of this year.

Competition Report- Ken –next competition is Wednesday, May 16, 2018 with deadline for submission Wednesday, May 9, 2018.

Membership Report- Steven – We have two-three possible new members.

Webmaster Report- Julie/Jane - nothing new to report.

Selection Report: - Val absent.

Old Business:

Minutes of the Board Meeting of April 2, 2018 were accepted.

Unfinished/Ongoing Business:

End of year party menus discussed and will be sent out to members shortly. Cost per attendee will be approximately same as last year- about \$45.00 – including tax and gratuity. Individual bar tabs will be extra. The date is June 20, 2018 from 6:30-

9:30 PM. and will be held at a new location- Palmer's American Grille- 123 Fulton Street, Farmingdale, New York 11735.

Dave continues to assemble this year's winning images for Joe who is organizing the End of Year Member's Choice Awards. Joe is developing a ballot for voting at the Wednesday May 23, 2018 meeting.

As noted in last month's minutes the 2018 Glennies MVCC Competition deadline has passed and judging by the Glennies took place in mid April. This year our club scored at total of 216 points, which tied us for 30th out of 63 participating clubs. We finished in the top half of all clubs in what is a prestigious and very challenging nature competition. We were fortunate to have a large number (6 of 10) of our entries accepted into the salon, with one of those images being a merit award winner! There were 630 total images in the competition from all clubs; 46 clubs from the United States, and 17 international entries. Congratulations to Joe Senzatimore for receiving a merit award for his image: "Winter Meal" which received a very high overall score of 25. Congratulations also goes to: Dave Curtin, Lilianna Hecker, Steven Kessler, and Joe Senzatimore who had images accepted into the 2018 Salon. "Acceptance" means that though the image was not an award winner, it was one of the higher scoring images and will be included in the slideshow. Thank you so much to everyone who has participated in this year's competition and for sharing all the wonderful images!

New Business:

Mill Neck Manor- discussions are being held on a possible partnership with our club as they are looking for possible assistance to photographically capture images for some of their fundraiser events. A meeting will be held with some board members and Mill Neck to review the details and assess the viability of this venture.

A July Board meeting will be scheduled to plan out details for the upcoming 2018-2019 club calendar and year.

PFLI:

The Youth Showcase awards ceremony took place on April 29th with 95 print entries and some new schools participating.

The PFLI Spring Spectacular was a big success generating the best ever revenue with 147 tickets sold and the raffles. All workshops were well received but there were fewer vendors this year. A date is being secured for next year.

The PFLI Leonard Victor Competition will be held this year at the Half Hollow Hills Library on June 16th from 12:00 PM- 4:30 PM.

The upcoming fall Photorama is scheduled for October 14, 2018 and will be held at the Bayard Cutting Arboretum in both the upper and lower rooms. They will be able to bring in exotic birds, cars, models, etc. Photo opportunities will also be available at the dahlia garden and the many park areas.

PFLI Competition: The average PFLI score of 21.7 this year is the lowest ever. PFLI has been reviewing this and stating that part of the problem has been the venue at Farmingdale CC and the poor lighting and viewing especially for digital images. They are exploring alternatives- smaller screen, possibly a better TV/monitor for digital images. They are also reviewing the scoring at the club levels (which has been much higher) as well as the judges who are not using the full range of scoring. Critiquing at the club level is also being reviewed. PFLI has also found that prints have scored better than digital images this year perhaps due to the problems noted above.

A new venue for PFLI will also be explored for the 2018-2019 year with the Half Hollow Hills Library being a possibility

Mike DiRenzo, the PFLI President for many years, will be stepping down from his post as president at the end of this year but will stay involved as a VP. He has asked for volunteers to help step up to keep the organization running smoothly and a new president will have to be elected.

Next Board Meeting: will be held on in July 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Submitted by Steven Kessler, Secretary