

Raindrop Chapter
Member of the Society of Decorative Painters
Minutes of the General Meeting
Tualatin Union hall August 2, 2014

Meeting called to order at: 10:14 by President Terry Banton, Recording Secretary Lisa Ludwig for Stephanie Graiff.

Convention – in discussing the banquet we wanted to ask the chapter if members would volunteer to decorate them. Because the convention is so close to 2015 Christmas party we would not have you paint for it. Volunteers would be given \$30.00 per table. Yes, you can purchase the gift/center piece. Theme is Paint a Season of Memories. One person felt it would increase chapter involvement. Tables should have a season theme. The board put out a standard expectation for each table, a center piece and a favor at each table is expected.

Seattle convention - If you are painting an umbrella please let us know. Georgia has a list. We are hosting a booth to promote our convention and need people to man the booth in Seattle. If you can help let Georgia know.

Commended service and Stan Brown awards – send forms into Georgia – they are available on the website. Terri reviewed our service programs for the new members and visitors.

Fair – Clackamas Fair learn to paint all three days – you can volunteer for any/all days – Kids are making tool boxes and then they are going to send them to use to have the kid come to us to paint their name on them or on a tag...this is happening on Saturday. Sign up with Georgia. You will get free fair admission.

Christmas Buffet this year – need people to do the tables for this year's Christmas brunch. If we don't have enough we will just get poinsettias. At Christmas we have about 10 tables with 8 per table.

Aprons for our convention - You can sign up for the aprons for convention – \$24.00 for a printed one from Debbie Gill or you can paint yours Debbie Gill will get it for you.

Treasurers Report: We are no longer printing this information in the newsletter please contact a member of the executive committee if you have a question.

Review the convention budget for 2015 – board has spent several hours working on this so we stay within the budget. We did well at convention last time because we had more than anticipated. We hope to expand the floor in 2015. We are working with hotel to get reduced rates for vendors and free parking. Charmaine Bannister moved that we approve the convention budget BJ second – Motion carried.

Judy made appeal for a treasurer for 2015. Everything in QuickBooks – Judy will teach you – if we don't find a treasurer we will have to hire someone to do it and we would have to submit reimbursements prior to meeting to get at meeting.

Minutes of the July Meeting were reviewed – one spelling connection was requested. It was moved and the minutes were approved with change requested.

Mary Wiseman – pieces have been chosen – and posted in newsletter – we are October 18 & 19 \$25.00 a day – floral tray Saturday and pumpkins on Sunday – it will be pot luck. Judy Zogg is looking into work pieces – check the newsletter for cost – she will bring them to the next meeting, at the church.

Chapter booth asking for raffle items. She was looking for ideas of things to sell at the chapter booth – possible palate knives painted on handle. Gift boxes made using bread crumb box. Clip board from craft warehouse. There was discussion about ideas and painting – we are considering a paint-in to get these things done. If we want to get that clip

board we need to move now. We will have one paint-in after meeting in early 2015 and focus on painting things for chapter booth. Maybe use Friday night at retreat for a paint-in time? We are going to table this idea and flush it out at the next convention meeting.

Motion was presented that the clip board were a great idea and we Purchase them now at \$.99 and do them later. Discussion – Georgia asked at the motion be retracted, this would come out of the convention budget. Motion was retracted.

Nominating committee report: Please let Peggy Smith know if you are willing to serve on the board. We need a vice president, secretary, treasurer.

Newsletter - Next deadline for newsletter is Aug 15th

Membership - Today's attendance: 28 attending and 2 visitors 1 new member

Ways and means – thank everyone for the donations

Woman's shelter – today we brought personal care items.

Librarian - Dinky will have list of missing patterns from the library listed in the newsletter. So we can make sure we have everything on our list. If you have something checked out, please return it. Has a idea about putting it on the website but needs to run it by Lupe first.

Bobby – Secret pals we were in the last SDP magazine about the secret pals program.

Memory boxes – we have 19 boxes today she is thrilled – please sign your name on your box so we can credit that you turned them in. They also send us a letter of thanks.

Treasure boxes - thank you so much for all the boxes.

Next Meeting we have Lucy's piece for the meeting in October at the Lutheran church – cost is \$3.00.

President's raffle is also back there! Debbie Cole's tray and Shari Rainer stuff. We did not have tickets available to sell for the president's raffle. It was discussed that we will have a ring of tickets kept with Ways and Means so we do not encounter this issue again.

Also in the back are Yvonne Kreisle's piece which will be raffled off at our convention; Maxine's piece, used for our cover, will also be raffled.

Retreat for 2015 – Jamie Mills-Price – winter into spring is the theme and we will have a carnival night in March – 27-29, 2015 at Collins –

Show and tell – and general announcements not relating to chapter business.

Shari Reiner – November at union hall – not a raindrop event

Jilly Bean October 10-12 coast to the cascades retreat.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:13 a.m.