



## **Elko County Art Club Meeting Minute**

**November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 1pm**

The meeting was called to order by President, Tess King at 1:04 p.m. Those in attendance in addition to Tess were Monica Mildrum, Ariane Dehm, Deborah Finley, Rondee Graham, LeRay Reese and Lynn Jasmine.

### **Rotating Art Report:**

Tess thanked Monica Mildrum for producing new plaques with the new logo for each business. She announced that ECAC also has 10 spots to hang art at the Nevada Health Centers in their brand-new lobby area. There are 4 additional spaces in the OB waiting area. Tess King will be hanging there until January. Any rotating artist that has enough works to hang there should let Tess know. Tess also asked the rotating artists to move their new artist plaque to their new location at each rotation.

ECAC is looking for a new chairman for the Rotating Art Program. Contact Tess if you are interested in volunteering.

### **Financial Report:**

Tess gave an update on the SBA Loan. ECAC has never received the funds.

LeRay Reese reported that the total money for ECAC (including savings and checking) is \$37,683.30. He reported that this is up around \$14,000 from November 2020. This due in part to the covid status of Art in the Park for 2020 and the success of Art in the Park 2021. Tess noted that not having to spend money on art supplies for classes is also a savings.

Tess reported that the ECAC Printer is not working well and using large amounts of ink. LeRay suggested that a switch to a Laser printer would get better ink usage and cost \$450-500. Tess King moved, seconded by LeRay Reese, that ECAC purchase a new laser printer. Motion carried.

Tess reported that she is still looking for the new Open Sign. LeRay suggested that Office Max might have what ECAC needs.

### **Gallery Report:**

Tess reported that ECAC gallery will be open all but two days in November. The Gallery is doing well, but we could still use a few more hosts for the coming months. If you are interested, please contact Tess King.

ECAC has a new artist, Kathlyn Tipton, hanging in the Gallery. Kathlyn combines photography and writing to produce wonderful mixed media portraits with spiritual and inspirational messages. Come down to the gallery and check them out.

Tess announced that on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 7 p.m. the ECAC Gallery will be participating in the last wine walk of 2021...a cozy cocktail walk. She invited everyone to come by the Gallery to see the art and/or volunteer to be a part of the evening.

Monica Mildrum said that she found a new hanging system for the Gallery. She explained that it is a railing with wire and hooks, but can accommodate shelves for 3-D artworks. She said that the cost would be about \$1000 for entire gallery. LeRay Reese moved to amend the previous motion to purchase a gallery hanging system and that ECAC purchase the system Monica found. Seconded by Ariane Dehm. Motion carried. A short discussion on wall repair and painting before installing the new system took place. It was a consensus of those present that a light color with some variation would be the best way to highlight artwork and make the Gallery feel open and welcoming.

### **Website Report:**

Tess announced that the new website is up and running. She thanked Monica Mildrum for taking on this project. Monica announced that the URL had to be changed. The new URL is [www.elkocountyarts.org](http://www.elkocountyarts.org). Monica explained that she is still building pages that will encourage people to visit the website, the Gallery and ECAC activities.

Tess announced that ECAC is looking for people to write blogs that will promote ECAC and help bring new people to the website. These blogs will be linked to ECAC social media accounts, back to ECAC website and give ECAC good recognition.

Monica explained that the new website will also feature our artists and show an artist bio, as well as any business information you wish to include. Please send your information to Monica or Tess. If you do not have a bio, now is the time to get one written. As an ECAC member this is one of the perks to getting your name and artwork into the community.

The website is also set up to recognize various levels of membership such as individual, artist, volunteer, community supporter, etc. Monica suggested that in December the Board look at the levels and possible perks that might be gained by joining ECAC. One idea suggested was waived hanging fees for certain memberships.

### **Comments and Thoughts:**

A brief discussion was held regarding the upcoming ECAC Board election and election of Officers. LeRay volunteered to review the by-laws. Lynn, Tess and Monica volunteered to help with the review. Monica indicated interest in the position of President. Ariane suggested that Tess might like to take over as Vice President. Lynn indicated interest in continuing as Secretary.

### **Next Meeting:**

Next monthly meeting of the ECAC Board will be held Tuesday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at the Gallery and on zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:07 p.m. by Tess King, President.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Jasmine,  
ECAC Secretary