



## Special Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 30, 2020, 12pm at Mountain Pottery

### Meeting called to order at 12:00pm

**Present:** Donna Elliot, Cyn Grady, Brian Tracy, Helen Hixon, Les Gin

**Absent:** Sasha Nicol

### Courtyard Gallery

We have given notice to terminate the lease and vacate the premises by June 30, 2020. However, the Reed Foundation has given us permission to use some of their grant funds for operational purposes. From the Grant, we have a balance of \$4,615.79. The proposal is to approach our landlords and offer \$300 per month for 6 months using \$1,800 of Reed Foundation Grant funds. Current Bank Balance: \$42,729.42. Cyn has arranged a volunteer for Saturday gallery coverage.

Though Donna did follow through with the landlords, there was no movement in the rent at \$400 per month and, in fact, an additional \$25 was required to share in the cost of bathroom usage and landscaping.

In the meantime, Brian Tracy raised potential liability issues if our volunteers contract COVID-19. Following feedback from our insurance broker that the AAI is not covered for any communicable disease (now a common exclusion in all policies), the Board decided to adhere to our lease termination notice. The AAI will be out of the gallery by the end of June, 2020.

### Events/Projects

1. Community Art Projects
  - Art Kit Community Art Project – held on May 4, 2020 combined with “I made this for you” Community Art Project – publicity in the Town Crier, positive feedback and interview on NPR’s “Lifestyles” program with Lillian Vasquez
  - Ongoing “I made this for you” Community Art Project
    - Food Distribution at Camp Maranatha on May 28 (Mountain Pottery Magnets and Alcohol Ink Cards)
    - Food Distribution at the Town Hall on June 2 (Soaps, Magnets and Alcohol Ink Cards)
    - Distribution in front of the Post Office – Friday, June 5 – all other art gifts
2. Eye of the Artist – originally on May 30, 2020 at the Town Hall – postponed.
3. Artist Studio Tour – May 9, 10am-5pm – postponed until next year.
4. Art Walk & Wine Tasting – Saturday, October 10, 2020 – Donna will contact the wineries and find out if they are still interested in taking part. We have until the beginning of August to make a decision about this event.
5. Imagery of Words – Saturday, November 14, 2020

### AAI Grant Applications/Proposals

1. Reed Foundation Grant Projects – Donna Elliot sent the Final Report on April 9 and is now preparing a new Grant Application for the new grant year that begins in July.
2. We are exploring how certain grant-funded projects may proceed.
3. 2020 plans (Idyllwild Youth Grant Makers) – The AAI was awarded a \$1,000 grant to use towards paying for the Home School Art Classes. Receiving the check has been delayed until it is safe for a photo op.
4. We submitted a grant application to Chuck Washington's Office for \$2,200 to support the gallery and visitors center. Donna will let them know that we plan to close the Courtyard Gallery, but may approach them for funds if the AWWT goes ahead.

**Any other business**

- New Mission and Vision Statements – Brian Tracy will submit new options.
- Deer Maintenance – The Board previously approved \$200 for this project. The AAI received an NIAC dividend for \$209.63 so this will offset the cost. Donna Elliot will contact Eric Yandell to take on this project.
- Reduced membership dues – some organizations are giving their members a discount on membership dues. We will look into this for lapsing members.

**Next Quarterly Meeting: Tuesday, July 21, 2020**

**Meeting adjourned by 1pm**