

**Mooresville Artists Guild  
Board Meeting  
Sept 4, 2008**

The board meeting of the Mooresville Artist Guild was called to order at 10:00 am on Thursday August 7th, 2008. Those present included Wayne McGuire, John Melius, Cheri Simmons, Sandie Bell, Bruna Coveleski, Ellen Patterson, Barbara Earnshaw, Nell Landers and Lois Smith. Guests in attendance were Tom Nixon.

The minutes of the last meeting were previously reviewed via email and accepted as written.

**The Treasurer's report** was emailed to Board members.

- The Operating Fund account balance is \$4685.76
- The Preservation Fund account has a balance of \$2493.56

**The Web Master's report**

- Bruna proposed that our new web address, [www.magart.org](http://www.magart.org) be used in all literature and correspondence moving forward. The old web site, [www.mooresvilleartistguild.com](http://www.mooresvilleartistguild.com) will remain up as well.
- Bruna proposed that MAG continue to mail printed copies to those members who elect to have it sent via USPS vs email; all agreed. She sent the September PP to 173 email addresses and mailed it to 36 members and printed 150 copies for the Depot.
- Bruna needs the ballots from the Nominating Committee by the 25<sup>th</sup> for the election of our 2009 Officers.
- Bruna proposed that we overturn last month's decision to change each member's renewal date from the end of the calendar year to the anniversary of their join date. The current calendar year membership renewal period is outlined in MAG's By-Laws and it was decided that it is easier to send 3 bulk notifications to all members at the same time rather than individually throughout the year. All agreed. Currently, members who join Jan. through Sept. are members through the end of the current year and members who join Sept. through the end of the year will receive membership for the end of the current year plus the next calendar year.
- Bruna showed the Board her membership enrollment pattern worksheet. Among several other trends, it shows that membership enrollment is the highest in Nov, Dec & Jan of each year.

Business:

**1. Shows and Events –**

- Cheri Simmons reports actually receiving a check for \$1500 from Wal-Mart yesterday morning. This grant was requested back in the Spring for building improvements in conjunction with the Blue Moon Ball Fundraiser.
- Starting in January 2009, the Wednesday Open Studio sessions will only be open to MAG members in good standing. All future advertising will be changed to reflect that membership is a prerequisite for the Open Studio privilege.
- Barbara Earnshaw reports the Gallery exhibits are filling up fast for 2009.
- Barbara Earnshaw reports that the first meeting for the Women Paint Women show was held yesterday with good results.
- The MAG Board has chosen Dec 9<sup>th</sup> as the Christmas Party date for 2008.
- Wayne and Bruna will advertise that Artists have the opportunity to set up and paint and display their art on Main Street and Broad Street during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday Art Crawl event.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheri Simmons, 2008 Secretary