

CBRGC General Meeting

January 8, 2015

Michele called the meeting to order at 1805 hours at the Merritt Island Library. Pledge of Allegiance

Bill Felski, a new member, was welcomed by the group.

The December General Meeting was not held in lieu of the Christmas Party at Brano's on December 4, 2014. The November 3, 2014 minutes were approved. 23 members were present

Cindy Whitman gave the December Treasurers Report to be filed for audit. Cheryl Ostman gave the reissued \$25.00 check to the library.

The proposed CBRGC Budget for 2015 was presented by Michelle.

Membership report was presented by Sara. Membership total is 106 paid members for the current year.

Michelle presented the 2015 Executive Board Members to the group.

Michelle presented a short You Tube presentation on EFFY, a jewelry design and manufacturing firm.

Show 2015 update per Michelle: The dates for the show are Feb 7-8, 2015 with setup on Friday Feb 6th. Fliers were given out for distribution. Signs were also available for setup 1 week before the event. The ATM and table contracts are completed. 23 vendors are confirmed with one cancellation. The wireless microphone and sound system being loaned will work in both buildings. The club needs someone to volunteer to be announcer. Also needed are volunteers for admissions, silent auction, sluice, and the kids' table. Coffee and donuts and cold water will be provided for the vendors. The silent auction needs donations. The food truck Apps will be here all weekend and we are working on getting a second truck. Craig has volunteered to do the grand prize and coordinate demos on both show dates. Some demos will be in the annex and some at vendor booths.

Workshop report: Craig is finished with inventory. Craig and Billy are working on the casting area. Roz and Pete have painted the classroom area and installed new display cases. New safety guidelines will be distributed soon. Workshop now has 3 Genies and 2 Pixies plus Star and Cabmate. Bids will open for donated Lortone saw/grinder (\$300.00) and 3 drum tumbler (75.00) A wish list for general maintenance items is in the newsletter. Current shop hours are Sunday 1-4, Wed. 9-12, 1-4, 6-9, and Thurs. 6-9. Assistance with cabbng, metal or silversmithing, and any other projects will be provided during open shop as possible. Agnes Weesies will be teaching a silversmithing class 2nd and 4th Wednesdays beginning Feb pm and eve. Bill will teach Faceting 9-12am Weds.and Sat Mornings. Bill will teach wax carving Sat. Feb 14, 21 and 28th from 9-12am. John and Lucy will teach Beg Casting Jan 20, 27, and Feb 3rd from 6-9 pm. Anyone interested in supervising at the shop, please let Michele or Billy know.

Class schedule: As published in newsletter. Sign-up sheets are available for classes. Roz will collect a \$10 fee when classes are signed up for as a deposit for the first class and to hold your place in class. Members are requested to show their receipts and membership cards at the first class. Members are to notify class instructors if they cannot attend the class and are requested not to be late for classes. Members are encouraged not to wait for a class to learn to cut cabochons, silversmithing, chain making, or fused glass. They can come into the open shop to learn and find out what materials are needed for just \$5.00. John will be available to assist Lucy with casting and continue to help with general maintenance/electrical issues.

New Business: Bill has reserved Kars Park for the April 18, 2015 Picnic. Michelle is looking for a member to coordinate the Picnic planning. Michele has appointed a Budget Committee to include herself, Eivor Brown and Bill Dewey. Nominations are being solicited by Michelle for other committees as required.

Old Business: Roz continues to collect aluminum cans toward shop revenue. Club mugs are not yet available. Club tote bags will be available at show. No new status on cookbook. Mary & Emily will have Manatee baseball status at a future date. Library Showcases have been set up in Cocoa Beach and Merritt Island Libraries for January.

Announcements: SFMS Federation website is afms.org/sfms, their newsletter is the Lodestar in which members can receive by signing up by email. The class schedule is out for this year on the website. Roz is continuing to collect stamps for possible scholarship through SFMS, no forever flag stamps accepted. Mario did the meeting door prizes and Billy conducted a Silent Auction of donated rough.

A break was taken for refreshments midway through the meeting and the meeting was adjourned at 1930 hrs.