

Craft Committee Minutes: October 8, 2024

Format:Zoom

Attendance: Lucy Kingsley(Facilitator), Jay Shuster(Scribe), Sue, James, John Govsky, Ken Kerby, Arna, Vince

Staff:Vanessa

Other Participants: Doug (reg), Tash, Leah Markman, Christine Claringbold

Introductions and Announcements: 6:30 we will move to a closed meeting to discuss ranking permanent booth applicants.

Agenda Approval: move Sue 2nd John

Minutes Approval: April: move Jay, Second Vince unanimous by hands. September unanimous by hands

Guest Concerns: None

Board Liasan Report: Donation to Cocoon, Newly elected board members will be certified after the election in October as opposed to November board meeting. Approved nominees EDIB (Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging) work group. The President and VP must now be elected board members. Archeology committee all resigned as well as the coordinator of archeology crew.

Staff Report: VANess) Thanks so much to Sue for her time on the board. Election coming up deadline to vote is 10/19 8pm. Annual meeting will be this saturday 10/12 on Zoom, youtube, and the LCC long house. New merch coming soon. Looking for 2026 poster artist deadline to apply is January 10. Guidelines changes deadline is 11/15,

Coordinators Report: Craft Inventory(no report until closed session)

Registration: Doug, All refunds have been processed. Working on improvements for Sunshine database. Leaving meeting at 6:30.

Work Group reports: Jury Process work group(James) James wants to keep the group small. Craft Inventory has the power to do what they want no matter what suggestions are made. If this is a problem I'll step aside and let someone else lead the group. After this meeting we will plan when this group will meet next.

Booth rep examination committee (Lucy) 67 interested 27 showed up for first short meeting. Next meeting 10/20 6-8PM. Working on putting together a survey for all crafters to examine the whole system and see what does and doesn't work. Planning a presentation for the craft committee retreat in March.

Old Business:

Booth considerations(Arna) Some booths aren't really craft booths, they contribute a lot and want to pass down to their kids but they can't because kids will never jury in with current offerings. I think they should be considered differently than a regular craft booth. Would like to consider having a different type of booth category. Comments: These booths take spaces that traditionally should be craft booths. WE don't want to give up crafter spaces. Their kids could jury in with other products. Sometimes we have to let go of the old. Someone who makes amazing graphic arts could jury in with buttons. Do we only want the finest craft or do we also want things appealing to kids and folks with smaller budgets? Is a photo booth a craft? Time is limited, could we please put this back on the agenda?

Guideline changes: Should we add a guideline that things made out of the country are not acceptable?

Food committee has asked for a change or move of guideline 72 because food booths are not given the option to move. We discussed removal of the thursday night meeting. Group approves by thumbs. Meeting isn't an actual guideline, it is in the calendar.

There has been talk of separating out the crafter information from the guidelines. Multiple committee members dislike this idea. Guidelines help us learn about how the fair works for different groups, paper copies are handy to read and share.

Booth refund: Discussion about why this is or isn't necessary, wish Doug was still here for clarification. Arna will rework this guideline and send it out prior to next Craft Committee meeting.

Scribe: Jay will email christine (eyepopart@gmail.com) and loop in Sue and Lucy.

MEETING is closed:

New Business:

Next Meeting: 11/13 5:30-7:30 zoom

Jury group meeting 10/27 1:00PM James will send link to all

Meeting Evaluation: Thanks everyone, tough meeting, we did good. Let's declare Lucy as our official facilitator, all agree.