

**Women's Caucus for Art**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Sunday, June 9, 2019**  
**Boulder Inn, Boulder, CO**

Board Members Present: *Margo Hobbs, Julia Marsh, Laura Morrison, Sandra Mueller, Rona Lesser, Linda Gilbert-Schneider, Noreen D. Dresser, Ulla Barr, and Emily Getsay*

Also Present: *Karin Luner (Director of Operations), Julie Clement, Barb Pullin, Pattie Byron, and Dellis Frank*

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**9:10am Welcome and Call to Order by Margo Hobbs, National Board President**

Hobbs calls the meeting to order, and would like to start with the approval of the minutes and the board reports. Motion is made to accept Minutes and Board Reports as presented, and seconded

**MSP (Motioned, Seconded and Passed)**

Next, Hobbs wants a run through the action items since the last meeting

**REVIEW OF ACTION ITEM STATUS**

**ACTION:** Phone calls to lapsed members (Morrison distribute list (Lesser, Hobbs, Dresser)

**In Progress**—Luner will give list

**ACTION:** Mueller will check in with Adobe to get a reduced subscription for our members –  
**DONE** --Not met as a member benefit

**ACTION:** Public Thank You on FB (Nesser-Chu) –**DONE**

**ACTION:** Women's History Month Fundraiser (Marsh, Nesser-Chu) –**DONE**

**ACTION:** Yearly Financial Chapter Reports (Morrison) –**NOT DONE**

Dresser suggests a simple template for chapters to report on.

Morrison will follow up with a plan.

**ACTION:** Amend the Bylaws (Nesser-Chu) **DONE, BUT NOT YET FINALIZED**

**ACTION:** Fix the Scholarship Forms (Luner, Nesser-Chu, Morrison) –**DONE**

**ACTION:** Conference Theme "Intersectionality/Affinity" Reading list in PULSE (Morrison, Marsh)  
–**In Progress** Google Docs only lists 3 books so far

**ACTION:** Conference Theme "Intersectionality/Affinity" establish a Wiki (King) –**In Progress**

**ACTION:** Leeway Foundation Grant information for PULSE (Marsh) –**DONE** --Not applicable

**9:30am Financial Reports & Approval of Budget FY20**

In absence of Janice Nesser-Chu, Treasurer, Luner gives financial reports, reading highlights from Nesser-Chu's detailed analysis of WCA's finances. Luner and Hobbs address and explain the proposed budget together. After several minutes of discussion about the proposed conference, LTA, and exhibition budgets, which at this point are only grounded in past numbers as concrete details about each program will become available further down the year, the board accepts the projected budget and passes it unanimously.

**10:05am Budget is MSP**

Break

**10:22am** Laura Morrison takes up Caucus Formation and suggests setting the goal for September to have the new caucus in place. The rule calls for at least 50 members expressing interest in a Queer Caucus. Ideally, this caucus should be included in the 2020 Application Form starting Oct 1<sup>st</sup>. Hobbs established a new AD HOC Queer Committee, chaired by Emily Getsay. Hobbs and Dresser will serve as committee members.

**10:36am Update on Conference in Chicago**

Hobbs announces that the Conference Committee (Hobbs, Marsh, and Ochoa) have looked at 3 potential curators for the juried exhibition, secured a contract for Hotel Essex, and locked in Columbia College as the conference and LTA awards location, however, have not yet signed the contract. Plans also include to bus people to the opening reception of the exhibition.

Hobbs also informs the board that the calls for conference proposals through Pulse have been successful and several members suggested workshops as well as presentations. Emily Getsay will hold a workshop about LGBTQ+ related topics. Sawyer Rose will run a panel about activist art at CAA, and Rachel Epp Buller's presentation for the Business Meeting at CAA will be on her book *Inappropriate Bodies: Art, Design, and Motherhood*, with her coeditors Charles Reeve and Niku Kashef.

Hobbs will announce the President's Awardee soon.

Morrison would like to get the heads up about the rooms that are available for Caucus Meetings as well as the Chapters' Council so she can start scheduling. Also, the Chicago Chapter has activities that they would like to add to the Bus Tour, and she highly recommends starting to work with them soon.

Hobbs adds that Bianca Lago, who remains in her YWC chair positions, will submit an exhibition proposal to Woman Made Gallery.

Mueller suggests making more use of the book table, to which Hobbs adds that they are looking for a book table captain.

**11:00am Proposal to establish the WCA Josine Ianco Starrels Memorial Fund (JISMF) to support a Biennial Exhibition for Newcomers (or emerging artists).**

Dresser who did not submit the proposal prior to the meeting, hands out the proposal and makes the case for establishing a fund in her name, which will award one newcomer to the art scene every other year. She gives info on Starrels' bio and major achievements since most of the board members are not familiar with Starrels.

Dresser informs the board that she already raised several hundred dollars via FB, and adds that she has close ties with her sister and had arranged this fund idea via verbal agreements with her.

Hobbs rewords the proposal and calls for a discussion to see if WCA wants to establish a JISMF Fund. Discussion ensues about legality, usage of name, the use of “newcomer” in regards to the term ‘emerging artist’. Without reaching an agreement, the proposal is tabled.

Board advises Dresser to secure a legal document from the family to allow the use of her name and the right to raise funds for WCA’s new award and submit to the Executive Committee.

**11:35am Meeting Adjourned**

*(Minutes written and recorded by Karin Luner, Director of Operations)*

## ALL ACTION ITEMS

- ACTION:** Revise and Finalize Student Club packet submitted by Sondra Schwetman  
(Hobbs, Parker, Mueller, Lago) – **In Progress**
- ACTION:** CAA Affiliated Society News submission dates should go the calendar — **In Progress**
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