**YAA Board Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2025**
Submitted by Taryn Myers, President

1. In attendance: Maryse, Laurie, Anne, Taryn, Melinda
    a. Absent: Nancy
2. Approve March minutes:
    a. Moved with amendment - Maryse, Second Anne - All approved
3. Treasurer's Report (P&L Attachment)
    a. Looking very good - very close to balanced
    b. Letitia Moore - have been conservative in taking the draws - can take a double if we need to draw more to avoid tax implications
    c. Melinda asked if the Hannaford Bag program ($250) is included in P&L
    d. We purchased Love of Art T-shirts to sell - Anne will double check the amount - Gift Shop Expense - Approx $300 spend to purchase Tshirts
4. Joey Resignation
    a. Anne move to accept Joey's resignation - Maryse seconds - all approved
    b. Anne will write a note of thanks for his service to our board
    c. Anne will also write a thank you to Mary for all the work she has done in support of the Association - she has done so much & our attendance numbers and Patron donations are showing the fruits of her efforts
5. Program Updates
    a. Silent Spring up until end of April
        i. Reception went really well -
        ii. Carin came early to setup a lot of food - had a great crowd of her people
        iii. At least 50 people!
    b. Entre Nous for May
        i. Intake - April 27 3-6pm
    c. YAY Camp Updates
        i. Only 1 spot left - possibly filled by tomorrow
    d. Art in Bloom Aug 8
        i. This is a fundraiser - a silent auction - needs to be marketed as such (make it CLEAR what this even is so that there is no confusion)
        ii. Website messaging is good
        iii. Melinda would like the brief overview on the Events page state "Silent Auction"
    e. AIP Sept 13
        i. Have about 18 applicants so far
        ii. Doing it through LGL - had to build new forms
        iii. If they accept & Pay when they get accepted, they can choose their booth
        iv. We will get back to them no later than May 1 (for early acceptances)
        v. Have food trucks, port-o-potties & permission from town to use park
        vi. Nancy is making calls for volunteers
        vii. In good shape!
6. Grant updates
    a. Maine Community Building & Energy Efficient Belvedere Grant – When should we hear?
        i. May 1

7. Building
    a. Review proposed building plans (include attachment of plans)
    b. Been in touch with Gary from Shoreline - interested in giving us a ballpark cost
    c. Already shared the 2026 wish list with last meeting
        i. If there are things that you don't see, please add them
    d. Hoping to get a clearer idea of range for what this will cost before we can fundraise
    e. Now that we have the drawings we can take them to contractors for quotes
    f. Once we know costs, we will need to evaluate priorities
    g. Going ahead with plans
8. Scholarship Details review
    a. We need some edits to the scholarship information on the website (at least a review)
    b. If we don't want requests from California for example, we need to review eligibility
    c. Anne asked Melinda to review & make recommendations - for next month
    d. May not need to make changes - some were easy to eliminate
9. Workshop Updates
    a. Abstract Landscapes May 6
        i. Kathleen Robbins
        ii. This one is full
    b. Mainely Skies May 17
        i. Needs to have at least 4 students to hold the workshop
        ii. Margaret Dwyer
        iii. Also offering a workshop in Kittery - might be spreading herself too thin
    c. Amy Brnger
        - July Wall
        - Will do July 17-18 Workshop - $415 for 2 day workshop
        - Also doing an Artist Talk on July 27
    d. If anyone knows other artists to do workshops - get them in touch with Laurie
10. New Business?
    a. Sole Models - They would like week of July 28 - 9-11am each day
    b. Clean Up Day - we need volunteers to make this work
        i. Send out to the membership
        ii. Pick a day & post within newsletter & social media
        iii. Ideally before May 9th reception
        iv. Anne will see this week what we think needs to be done & then suggest a day (should not be as huge as the fall clean-up) - either Apr 26-27 weekend of May 3-4 weekend
            1. Lots of conflicts for people
    c. McDonough-Grimes is seeking donations for raffle baskets - Maryse has some things that we can put the YAA name on them
    d. About Us Page - Make Mission Statement more prominent
        i. Also update Facebook About & IG Intro
        ii. The whole "we are a 501(c)(3) … Art inspires us all…. " stuff should be cleaned up - Melinda pointed it out - all agree (could tap more into history) - move Mission up farther on page

e. Have a new member who is an artist & also works for World Surfing Federation
    i. Have a number of people who live locally who make surfboards
    ii. Would we consider an exhibit focused on the art of surfing & surf-board-making
    iii. The folks involved are interested in this kind of potential
f. Newsletter deadline: April 21
    i. Goal is May 1 or 2 to be sent via email
g. Maryse - suggests that we take the notebook and that we go through it to see what has been happening (gallery sitter notes)
h. Reminder - We will be closed April 20th (Easter Sunday)

11. Next Meeting: May 21 @6:00pm