YAA Board Meeting Minutes August 11, 2025

1. In attendance: Taryn Myers, Maryse Newton, Anne Bancroft, Laurie Chapman, Nancy Garrick
Meeting called to order at 6PM

2. Guest: Susan Meffert introduced to Board. Exchanged questions and will be asking Susan to join our Board

3. Approve July 16 Board minutes. Nancy to make three minor changes, resubmit to Taryn who will post on YAA website

4. Treasurer's report: Overall, we're in good shape financially: Bank of A account - $22,000, Letitia Moore endowment - $363,000. Anne recommends we take an extra $15,000 from LM account to hire a gallery sitter for 18 hours a week @ $20hr.
Action: We will ask Mary to send out an email to all of our members asking them if they know of anybody who might want to gallery sit.
Action: Anne will consider creating a separate line item under 'Supplies-Gallery" for food and beverage supplies for openings, etc.

5. Review Notes in Office Notebook. Maryse proposed that the Board review gallery sitters' notes at monthly Board meetings. Approved by Board.

6. Program Updates:
a. Art in Bloom – big success- 40 people. Discussed what we might want to do differently next year. Agreed that we'd like to hold this event next year. Members of YAA and PGC appreciated the burgeoning relationship between our two organizations.
Action: propose date for next year – Who will do this?
Action: Reach out to Mary Harding who may volunteer to be the liaison next year. Susan Meffert has volunteered to help.
b. YAY – big success – 27 children, aged from 5-11yrs old. Taryn paired older kids with younger one for group projects. T's daughter was an enormous help.
Action: Next year, our goal will be 20 participants and we will increase our tuition to $350. Taryn will figure out which week in July works best for her. 20-24th or 27-31st.
c. AIP – We're still looking for 10 more vendors.
Action: Maryse – produce PR pieces that can be put around town.
Action: Nancy will bring them to upcoming events: Barn Gallery auction Aug 16, Blue Door event Aug 17, Ocean Pottery August 30 and 31
Action: Laurie will reach out to Whirly Gig guy as possible vendor
Action: Nancy will contact Noelle Argenti to deny request for vendor funding

7. Workshop updates

a. Workshop Contract – Read through draft. Discussed how to formulate how much responsibility we take on as far as "Set Up". Laurie has been putting in an inordinate amount of time helping out with this and we all agreed that we need to find a better way to deal with this issue.

8. Staffing for gallery during summer months: still a challenge to find members to sit. Looking for part time help.

9. Renovate 2026: Anne and Mary have been reaching out to people for larger contributions. Once ¾ of our $$ are reached, we will begin to reach out to the Community.
Action: Board members are asked to contribute whatever they are comfortable with.

10. New Business:
Soul Models want to come back next year
Action: who will contact them?
YAA member meeting is on September 7 4-5:30pm. Officer slate will be voted upon. New Board members will be introduced.
Anne, Maryse, and Laurie will meet on Aug 13 to discuss exhibition themes for next year.

11. Next meeting: September 17 6pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:20PM (yikes)
Respect*fully* submitted,
Nancy Garrick, Secretary