

SANDPIPER ART GALLERY & GIFTS

MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 16, 2025

Time: 10:00 am

Meeting called to order by: Sue Arneson

IN ATTENDANCE

Sue Arneson, Marge Christensen, Cheri Browne, Karri Gill, Dee Dee Barbour, Candyce Brevik, and Carole Carberry.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The September board meeting minutes were read and approved.

TREASURE REPORT

Profit and Loss statement for September will be given at a later date due to illness. Discussion will be held next month regarding putting Art4Polson funds into a 6-month CD.

Gallery Director – Carole Carberry

- Bulletin announcing the next show and more was sent out.
- The next show is the Holiday show "Lake Effect" will be hung the weekend of November 8-9.
- Reception for the show will be on November 14.
- The gallery needs to be open later on November 30th for the tree lighting parade.
- Request will be made to membership to find workers for that evening.
- Ladies' night out is Friday October 24. Kari and Sue will work the later shift.
- Special painting demo by Kevin Corcoran will be explored for that evening.
- Black Friday and Small Business Saturday will be November 28 and 29th. Discussion was held about doing something extra in the gallery for those dates.

Gift shop Director – Sue Arneson for Kat Collins

- 4x4 boxes have been purchased and will be delivered this week.

Festival Director – Sue Arneson for DeeAnn Richardson

- No report was given due to DeeAnn not being present.
- Motion was made and passed to increase booth fees for 2026.
- Dee Dee will update the website to reflect these changes.
- Festival dates for 2026 were confirmed.
- July 18 and 19 for FLFA.
- August 8 for the Courthouse.
- Motion was made and passed to raise booth fees by \$25.
- Dee Dee will update the 2026 application.

Membership – Marge Christensen

- New members are being encouraged to sign up in 2026.
- Marge will be out of the country from January 7th – 24th.
- Marge is still working on getting information regarding lighting in the gallery.
- Motion was made and passed to increase membership fees in 2026.
- Students and Friends of the Gallery will not be affected by the increase.
- Dee Dee will update the website to reflect these changes.

Website/Social Media –Dee Dee Barbour

- Dee Dee will photograph extra paint from the exterior painting project and get it listed for sale on Facebook Marketplace.
- Dee Dee will check on printer cartridges and get the correct ones ordered.
- Murals will be added to the website to support Art4Polson.

Media team – Sharon McGuire and Vicky Poole

- No report was given.

Workshop Coordinator –Sue Arneson for Judy Wright

- One oil painting class will be held in November.

R & D Committee – Sue Arneson

- Monthly “Let’s Talk Art” presentation by Joanne Simpson is scheduled for November.
- Talks will start again in April of 2026.
- Dee Dee will order *Art Talk Tonight* sandwich boards for talk nights.
- Mural on the barking lot has been completed and was given good press. Good Job Vicky Poole.
- “Let’s Make Art” Week has been proposed by the Sandpiper Art Gallery and Gifts in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce. The City of Polson wu.
- Motion was made and passed that the Sandpiper Gallery will be participating in this event June 8th thru 15th of 2026.
- More information on events and activities will follow. Membership will be encouraged to participate.

President – Sue Arneson

- No new information regarding the scholarship process at this time.
 - Policies regarding Membership Options, Open shows and Gift shop items were discussed and approved.
 - Ballot for Election of Board Members was accepted to be printed as is.
 - Positions for Vice President and Website/Media Director are both open positions.
 - Outreach to members to fill these positions will be made.
 - SAGG Christmas party will be held on December 11th at the Bickford Building.
 - Main dish will be provided with Side dishes being potluck. If you wish to contribute, reach out to Candyce or Jeanne.
 - Christmas party Invitations will be sent out the second week of November.
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- Old Business: The Life Breath Unit will be serviced next week. This is a yearly maintenance that has been overlooked over the past few years. Cost is estimated at \$115 an hour. Sue will inquire about future maintenance and a discount for our non-profit business.

Next meeting will be held on November 20, 2025, at 10:00

Meeting was adjourned at 12:07.