

CBBAG-OV Meeting

Minutes

November 14, 2012

Theme: flexigons, designed by Cherryl Moote

President

News is that the Wordpress site is now on the Web, although it is a temporary site. The website will be used to provide all the information about and from our group, including upcoming workshops as well as reports and photos from workshops that have occurred. We'll also be including photographs of members' work. The web address is www.mmcgovern.com/cbbag-ov/index.html cbbag.ott.

The new workshop place, in Sandy Hill, is good. It opens at 10, therefore starting time of workshops will be 10:30, however, the instructor will be able to start setting up at 10:00. Finishing time is 4:30. Paul's workshop was good, and Nancy Minogue's silk screening will take place this weekend.

At our December meeting, we will have our swap and flea market. Members can sell anything they want, with 10% of sales going to CBBAG. If one has extra supplies, that are no longer needed, this would be a good chance to dispose of them.

We have tool kits, for \$160, with new tools in them. In addition, there is a box of supplies we can share, which is presently at Maggie's home.

Treasurer

We have \$4600 in our account.

Book Arts Fair

The updated budget is around \$3,000. The room is ready to be secured, with the forms being ready for signatures. As well, the registration form is ready to go.

We would like to have French translations of three things: the registration form, the early release form and the letter to vendors. Lilian agreed to translate these for us. It was noted that CBBAG National charges 10 cents per word, for translation services.

Larry will print the flyers. A sample was passed around. He wants permission to get the flyers.

Steve will organize the speakers, who will use the room next door.

Several members are participating in a Book Arts Exhibition at Queen's but unfortunately, we won't be able to include that exhibition at our fair as it will still be up at Queen's. We will use our regular meeting room as an exhibition room, with no demos.

We are looking for sponsorship. A request should be sent now to National for funding, with the goal being \$1,500. Maggie will start the process. There is an extra \$500 cost this year, and we might be about \$1,200 short.

At her former job, Marie organized one charity event per month, to raise money for the Fair. People contributed books, boxes and baking. She intends to try again with her new company, in February or March.

Workshops

The Sandy Hill Community Centre space is good, and we hope to use it consistently going forward. If we need to cancel a workshop, it must be done 2 weeks in advance, or we will be charged for the room. Therefore, we need to close registration for our workshops earlier than we have been. For now, we have decided that we can go ahead with workshops when there are 4 people registered, assuming the instructor is willing to accept \$200 as his/her fee. We will be setting registration deadlines to no less than two weeks and a day before the intended workshop day. If there are fewer than 4 people registered, the workshop will be cancelled. If there are more than 4 people registered, the instructor's fee can go up to \$250.

At present, workshop payments goes to Anne. She then passes it along to Nancy.

We considered getting a PayPal account. We are waiting for National to get theirs set up. It was noted that PayPal increases the ease of registration and transactions. For charitable organizations, the fees are less. Anne will investigate.

If we do cancel a workshop, the money can be put towards a future day. They will not refund our money.

Gayle's paper quilting workshop has only 2 registered so far. She is willing to do it in the new year, if it doesn't go now.

As for snacks, it was decided to discontinue having them at workshops, as they are too much trouble.

Show and Tell

Steve showed his latest printer's newsletter and post cards. Lilian had an old book, and his own prints made from linocuts. Paul showed things made in his workshop, including the use of gold on covers. Beatrice had a book on miniatures, and her example of a box to hold the swap from a couple of years previously. Cristina had her box from Maggie's box workshop. Nancy had an array of rare books which she bought in Ireland. She had been to Trinity College to see the Book of Kells. Marie had Coptic stitched books.

Maggie was in New York at the Center for the Book Arts, and had brochures for 2 upcoming shows: Red Trillium and the Glebe. Lynn had to rebind an old fragile book at work. It has an unsupported spine, and lies flat when open. Very little glue was used, making it a lightweight book, perfect for journals. As well, she self-published a book, a compilation, using Blurb, at a cost of about \$28 each. It includes her own photos, which she will be giving to the children at Christmas.

Program

Susan showed how to make and manipulate Cheryl's flexigons.

Next meeting: December 12, 2012

Theme: swap and flea market

18 in attendance