

Board of Directors Meeting
Sooke Arts Council
October 10, 2025

In attendance: Susan Percival, Deb Schenk, Carolyn Hahn, Jennie Levesque, Sherry Robb

Absentees: Lynda Slater, Laura Barker, Peter Jonassen, Megan Evans, Gail Scott

Meeting called to order at 5:11 pm

Chair: Carolyn

Approval of Agenda: Deb/Sherry

Approval of September meeting minutes: Deb/Sherry

Treasurers Report

- Carolyn presented preliminary year-end financial statements, nothing untoward to report
- Financial request from Sooke Community Jazz Band for \$500, motion by Carolyn to approve, seconded by Sherry, all in favour. SCJB must become group member first before funding will be sent.
- Financial request from Sooke Youth Theatre Company. Carolyn will email them to request they fill out the online Financial Request Form in order to be considered for funding. SYTC must also become group members first.

Beach Art

- Some discussion, however, as Lynda was not present, this is tabled to next meeting.

Annual General Meeting

- Date set for Wednesday, November 26 at 6:00 pm at Worklink. Deb to book.

Holiday Gift Shop & Decorating

- We have some decorations with Susan providing us with more.
- Change over to Holiday Gift Shop will be November 17 and 18, with opening on November 19
- Ask Lynda to reach out to the Upside Guys again to come and do a feature.

2nd Life Project

- Sherry requires prizes with Carolyn moving, Sherry seconding, and all in favour that we purchase prizes (gift cards?) as follows
 - 1st place \$100
 - 2nd place \$50
 - 3rd place \$25

Sunday Sessions

- The sessions are sold out and sometimes oversold as the online registration form currently allows for only credit card payment to hold a space. Sherry will revise so that other methods of payment can be taken.

Volunteers

- Lynda had advised there was no one to staff the gift shop Thanksgiving Sunday. Jennie will be there from 11 am to 1 pm with Susan, Sherry, and Laura there at 12:30 pm for intake.

Membership

- With Laura resigning, Sherry has agreed to take this on.

Bus Shelter/SEAPARC

- Sherry will be reaching out to local non-for-profits to produce posters for their organizations (funded by SAC).
- Susan will continue to reach out for more artists to participate.
- We will recycle our existing posters through the two bus stops.

Social Media/Website

- No responses to our advertised opportunity

Gift Shop

- Jennie is finding the management of the gift shop space to be too much for her at this time and will reach out to others to see if they would be able to take this on.
- Jennie will continue to do the intake/outtake in Square.

Paper Stories

- Jennie is working on this with projected start-up date in January 2026

Featured Artists

- Megan (no report)

Dana Lajeunesse Office Install

- Sherry has completed this and it looks good

Show Committee

- Sherry, Laura, and Susan to meeting Thanksgiving Sunday at the Gallery to work on this.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 13th at 5:00 pm in the Gallery

Meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm