

**Tarpon Springs Art Association General Meeting
February 4, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Yvonne James. All guests and new members were welcomed.

Secretary's Report: The meeting minutes will be available on the TSAA web site.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Davis stated that we have a balance of \$4758.81, including \$1001.57 for the Boys&Girls Club program.

Membership & Newsletter: The items for the newsletter are due by the 18th of this month and there are currently 80 paid members. All members are encouraged to submit their dues as soon as possible. Notify Patsy Renz of any directory corrections or updates.

Programs: At today's meeting Raquel Egossi will do a mixed media demo and on Friday February 9 she will conduct a workshop. Registration is at the Community Center and the workshop will be at the Craig Park Recreation Center from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm. Kerry Stratton-Waltz will present a watercolor demo at the March meeting. A Lunch & Learn will be held at the Heritage Center on March 21. Lynn Whitelaw will discuss the George Inness paintings. Tickets are available now and limited in number. Contact Sherry Orr for further information. The Annual Picnic and Art Show is April 2 and details are available in the Newsletter. The Art on the Bayou is March 24-25 in Craig Park and there are several areas of responsibility needing volunteer coordination. All were reminded that art cannot be picked up prior to 5pm on Sunday and members have the option of picking up their art at the community center after 6pm. Volunteer signup sheets for all events were circulated and members were encouraged to participate.

Sunshine: No report.

Venues:

Florida Capitol Bank - signup with Sharon Chandler.

Performing Arts Center – Heather shared that the available space has been limited to an end wall and sign up will be available after their paint project is completed.

Chamber of Commerce – Heather reported that the chamber has agreed to have TSAA display art. There is room for 12 paintings and 2-3 3-D pieces. The chamber will put out an email regarding the artwork and permit the artist to hold a small reception if desired.

Florida Hospital North (Helen Ellis Hospital Lynn Kopala coordinator. Signup is full until fall.

Special Event: After reviewing the history of the annual Tarpon Springs Paint & Photo event and its evolution to the successful event it is today, Heather announced that there will be a 2018 Tarpon Springs Paint & Photo event. It will be April 18 -21 and contact Heather for further information. Plans are in progress and all information and details are available for review. Registration forms are available in the back of the room.

Artist of the Month: Carol Loiacono – watercolor.

Old Business: The 2018 TSAA calendar is available for purchase.

New Business: Yvonne announced that changes to the Artist of the Month schedule will be postponed for review next year. Thank you to Rose Metz for her Christmas decoration donation.

Announcement: Joy Swanson is replacing the old TSAA wooden sign with a new and updated design with all supplies and labor donated. Thank you, Joy. The Stirling Art Studio is presenting a "Possibilities in Pastel: Opening Reception" Friday February 9, 5:30-8:00 pm. Carol Loiacono has her February watercolor plein air class schedule available on the table in the back of the room.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:03 pm.
Minutes respectively submitted by Bess King/Secretary.