Village Painters General Meeting February Minutes

The Village Painters held their first general meeting of the new year. There were 43 attendees at the February 2, 2017 meeting. Newly Elected President, Sheri Redd opened the meeting at 6:45pm

Sheri Redd began by announcing the meeting change location for the next general meeting. It will be March 23 instead of April 6, in order to give us one more meeting before the April 1 Spring Fling. Various committees made announcements.

Audit- Loretta Huebler announced that the audit has been conducted with Kathy Fischer (treasurer) and the audit has been successfully completed.

Christmas Party- Sheri Redd will be the hostess. The location will be <u>One Under</u> on Five Mile in Livonia and the theme will be elegant.

Community Service- position is still open. Diane Stiller announced that we will be collecting supplies for the Veterans Administation. The list of items accepted and needed will be in the next newsletter. Items can be brought to the general meetings for collection..

Historian—open position. Our history will be recorded in the newsletter at the present time.

Hospitality- Diana Winn issued thanks for all who contributed to the snack table. **Library**- Nancy Silver announced that 30 books were taken out and almost all have been returned. She reminded us that VP books are identified by pink tape on the cover. Nancy also told us that our books and DVDs are listed on the website and you need not wait until a meeting if you need something. Nancy and Teresa Palmer (co-librarian) are willing to make arrangements with you earlier. Nancy reminded us of the \$1.00 per book late fee and the \$3.00 DVD late fee. We have one missing book—Jamie Mills Price Christmas Time Vol. 7

Education—Diane Stiller. After a show of hand survey, it was decided to cancel the Feb 11 fabric class and the Feb 12, lighthouse Learn to Paint class. We need 8 registrations to hold a class and 14 to break even. If enrollment doesn't increase in LTP, we should consider if we need to offer this program. The Glenice Moore April 8 and 9 classes have be scheduled for a new location (Warren Valley Golf and Banquet Center) due to a conflict with The Livonia Senior Center. We cannot bring in food, but the Clubhouse will provide a luncheon for \$5-\$6.00. Water, tea and coffee will,(also be available. The rent is \$100. Paint With Us with Nancy Silver has been confirmed for Oct. 21 at St. Matt's Church in Livonia. March 11 at The LSC will be the glass block chickadees and wild roses with Sheri Redd.

Membership- Michelle Handley. Membership will be checked next month for membership in SDP.

Spring Fling.—Karen Capshaw. The Boutique will open for sales at 10:30. Everything else begins at 11:00. Lunch will be at 12:40. Set up Times are Friday,(Check with Karen for times), and Saturday from 8:00 to 10:00. Boutique items can be turned in at any meeting, especially at the March meeting. Items should be priced if possible. Not sold items will be returned if the painter gives Michelle a written and itemized request. Cathy Urhing needs to know the designer and title of the donated pieces for the silent auction. **Treasurer**-Kathy Fischer. Kathy gave a report of our opening balance for January 2016 \$16,0638.32 and our December 2016 ending balance \$11,482.11. She presented the 2017 Budget which was unanimously accepted.

Ways and Means—Sandy Tyo and Darlene Greenwood

Sandy reminded us that tickets are 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 for 1. W&M welcomes suggestions for items to raffle. They are planning a special raffle for the August Picnic. Tickets can also be purchased for the special raffle at the next meetings before the picnic. **Michigan Mixer**—Wendy Willinganz invited all to attend the Michigan Mixer held at the Methodist Church in Flint on April 28.

Closing remarks were made by Sheri Redd in rememberance of Peggy Mack who will be sorely missed by the Village Painters. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25. The after meeting project was a zentagle heart taught by Rondi Bur.

Respectfully Submitted by Joan Mueller