

**FEDERATION OF CANADIAN ARTISTS  
2013 Annual General Meeting**

Held April 16, 2013 at the Federation Gallery  
1241 Cartwright Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Number of members present, including the Board: 23.

Board Members Present

President – Andrew McDermott SFCA  
1st Vice President & Public Relations Chair - Alfonso Tejada  
2nd Vice President & Chapter Liaison - Marney-Rose Edge SFCA  
Treasurer – Susie Cipolla AFCA  
Secretary – Elaine Chatwin  
Standards Chair - Teresa Bernard SFCA  
Education Chair – Angela Au Hemphill SFCA  
Member at Large - Neil Hamelin AFCA

Board Members Absent

Sponsorship Chair - Michael King  
Membership Chair - Bill Higginson

Staff Members Present

Executive Director – Bev Rushworth  
Gallery Director – Mila Kostic AFCA

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

The publishing of the scheduled AGM in the March/April Art Avenue magazine and on the FCA website constituted proper notice to the membership. A quorum being present, the Chair, Andrew McDermott SFCA, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Andrew McDermott to approve the agenda. CARRIED

**WELCOME TO GUESTS & MEMBERS AND INTRODUCTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS & THE MEMBER RECOGNITION CHAIR** by Chair Andrew McDermott.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DATED APRIL 15, 2012**

MOTION by Susie Cipolla, to adopt the minutes as circulated. CARRIED

**SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS**

No special resolutions.

**REPORTS**

1. President's Report – Andrew McDermott – Report Read and Handed Out at Meeting  
Welcome to all and best wishes to Elaine Chatwin who is stepping down as secretary this year. Highlights for 2013 include the online gallery now available to members and the Whistler workshop in September. Many thanks to Susie Cipolla, committee members and volunteers for all

the work on the Whistler workshop.

2. Standards Committee Report – Teresa Bernard - Report Read at Meeting

The newly appointed Standards Chair reported that the post signature application critiques in the gallery are completed. The online critiques are still in progress due to email program difficulties. Teresa spoke directly with Robert Coulter to acknowledge receipt of his letter voicing concern over the recent FCA decision to discontinue digital entries for the time being.

3. Gallery Director's Report – Mila Kostic – Report Read at Meeting

The Gallery Director gave an overview of the goals of the gallery and the standard exhibitions that run each year as well as the new exhibitions that create such diversity. Attendance at the Gallery in 2012 was reported as general admission: 27,662; special events & openings: 577; and statutory holidays: 764. The online commercial gallery is up and running and will continue to be developed. The jurying of Chapter shows and Gallery rentals continue as sources of revenue for the FCA. Many thanks to volunteer organizer Joyce Friar and all the dedicated volunteers helping to run the Gallery.

4. Executive Director's Report - Bev Schenke - Report Read at Meeting

An overview of FCA financials highlighted a much smaller deficit of \$7,000 in 2012 compared to \$31,000 in 2011. Liabilities for 2012 were \$68,154.07 compared to \$126,612.84 in 2011. The education program struggled through 2012. Although the Salt Spring Workshop and PBN fundraiser helped with revenues, a much larger positive income flow is one area that needs continued effort in 2013. Eleven new AFCA and 3 new SFCA members were recently welcomed for a total of 119 AFCAs and 38 SFCA current signature members. Total membership now sits at 2,013 from across Canada, the USA, UK, Indonesia, Iran and China. The FCA is thankful for donations from members, vendors and contractors as well as volunteer hours from members and those on the Board of Directors. A special note of thanks to the Thompson/Nicola/Shuswap Chapter for the open show that it has hosted for 6 years. Thanks to the Art Avenue stuffing team and reception volunteers. The FCA bookkeeper, Mary Yee, and chartered accountant Catherine Der oversee the accounting records with dedication. The economy is a tough one and is slow to recover but we are always looking for new ways to meet the goals for the FCA.

**APPROVAL OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012.**

There were no questions from the floor regarding the financial statements as circulated.

MOTION from Susie Cipolla SECOND by Andrew McDermott to adopt the financial statements as reported. CARRIED

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Member Recognition Chair, Bob McMurray AFCA, presented the slate of nominees for the positions of executive officers on the FCA Board, which had been circulated with the March/April issue of the Art Avenue magazine with mail –in ballots provided. Bob McMurray and Elaine Chatwin acted as scrutineers for vote tabulating.

**Nominations for executive office positions for 2012-13**

President – Andrew McDermott SFCA

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Alfonso Tejada

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Michael King; Kathy Hildebrandt AFCA  
Treasurer – Susie Cipolla AFCA  
Secretary – Peter Kiidumae

MOTION: Andrew McDermott moved that nominations cease. CARRIED  
Bob McMurray reported a tally of 85 mail-in ballots had been received of which 2 were spoiled. Kathy Hildebrandt was declared the new 2nd Vice President. The slate of Andrew McDermott SFCA, Alfonso Tejada, Kathy Hildebrandt AFCA, Susie Cipolla AFCA and Peter Kiimudae, was declared elected executive officers to the Board of Directors for the year 2013-14. Chair Andrew McDermott made a MOTION to destroy the ballots after the declaration of elected officers. CARRIED

### **COMMUNICATION**

Letter received from Robert Coulter was overviewed and presented for members to read if so desired. Teresa Bernard outlined the letter in more detail during the Standards Committee report. No questions or comments received from the floor.

### **OTHER REPORTS & QUESTIONS FROM FLOOR**

No further reports. No further questions from the floor.

### **MEMBER RECOGNITION AWARDS**

On behalf of the Member Recognition Committee, Bob McMurray gave an explanation of steps taken through selection by the committee to approval by the Board. Awards for this year are as follows:

**Lifetime Achievement Award:** Alessandra Bitelli SFCA CSPWC

**Early Achievement Award:** Joan Larson SFCA

**Honourary Life Membership:**

**Honourary SFCA Award:**

**Outstanding Volunteer for the FCA:** Martine Gourbault SFCA, Jutta Kaiser SFCA

**Outstanding Chapter Volunteers:**

Arrowsmith: Sherry Mitchell SFCA

Calgary: Tami Hort

Central Okanagan: Diana Palmer

Fraser Valley: Joyce Trygg

Nanaimo: Lisa Danesin

North Okanagan: no nomination

Peace River: no nomination

South Okanagan/Similkameen: Sharon Leonard

Thompson/Nicola/Shuswap: Cathie Peters

Victoria: Margot Clayton AFCA

West Kootenay: no nomination

Further recommendations by the committee:

- a. Include a periodic "Spotlight" article in the Art Avenue featuring article worthy members.
- b. Post the member recognition award criteria and timelines on the FCA website.
- c. Include a display ad in Art Avenue referencing readers to the award criteria on the web site.

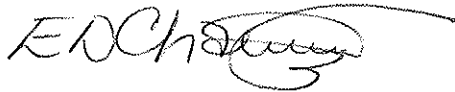
**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Elaine Chatwin to adjourn.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm. CARRIED

Minutes recorded and transcribed by Elaine Chatwin, FCA Board Secretary.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elaine Chatwin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Signed:".

Date:

April 26, 2013