

**BARRINGTON/NORTHWEST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATES
OF
THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO**

Minutes of the Board meeting held on January 27, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carol Bulakowski called the meeting to order at 9:33 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Alice Berry, Joan Bennett, Sally Biere, Carole Bulakowski, Emma Gerosa, Mari Harrer, Mary Hart, Carol Merritt, Harlene Perozzi, Diane Raak.

Members absent: Jo Brynildssen, Lenore Elsener, Nancy Evans, Peg Gabala, Barbara Griggs, Judy Hogan, Bonnie Horne, Jane Riley, Sandra Ross, Anne Sebastyan, Judy Segebrecht, Jean Tittle, Virginia Tolk, Mary Wajda.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Carole welcomed everyone with New Year's greetings. She thanked the Program Committee for the December "Holiday Lights" trip led by Bill Hinchliff – a very popular past program which attracted many members for a second visit. She thanked Harlene for stepping in for Kim Curtis as Seminar chairman. The two programs and speakers were excellent, food delicious and Peg's photo collage very attractive. Harlene read a note from Cynthia Noble thanking us for asking her to present a program – her first for a Community Associates group.

Carole reported on the meeting of the A.I.C. Board of Manager's meeting:

The Graphics Department has offered to help five Associates groups prepare their booklets for 2010-2011.

Bonnie Horne has volunteered to put ours together, so we may not need the G.D. help this year.

The Japanese Galleries are closed for renovation until the fall of 2010.

Community Associates will give \$50,000.00 this year to the Long Range Fund; also \$15,000.00 for the Research & Lecture Series. Carole thinks it would be good to take an informal group to one of the R & L programs, and Emma suggested putting a list of those programs in our booklet.

There was a discrepancy in B/NW membership numbers between Carol's numbers and those of the AIC. Carol reported 199. She plans to write a note to Membership downtown to settle the problem.

SECRETARY

There were no corrections to the Minutes. Mari moved to accept the Minutes, Carol seconded. Motion approved.

PROGRAMS

Emma reported on the February luncheon plans. Emma, Joan and Carole met at Wynstone to discuss arrangements, food, etc. A name tag table will be provided. Because of the distance from the parking lot to the clubhouse, we will pay for valet parking. The committee needs a volunteer to serve at the coatroom, before and after the meeting. Centerpieces will be provided by Wynstone. Day chair Mary Hart brought some sample red foil-wrapped chocolate hearts to decorate the tables. She will buy those and Carole volunteered to bring red confetti (hearts?), in addition.

Harlene said a table should be reserved near the dais for the speaker and her hostesses. Emma said the menu is fixed: squash soup, chicken, rice pilaf, flourless chocolate cake!

TREASURER

Mary received two financial reports from AIC since the last board meeting:

November 30, 2009 – Balance \$7,426.07

December 31, 2009 – Balance \$10,062.38 However, this shows a deposit of \$3,800.00 for the Winter Excursion but not the bus or restaurant expenses.

Treasurer (cont'd)

Expenses: \$ 997.35 bus cost mailed to AIC 12/23/09
1449.28 dinner expense mailed to AIC 12/16/09
450.00 speaker
50.00 driver tip
\$2946.63 total expenses

Revenue: \$3800.00

Net Gain on Winter Excursion \$953.37

Sandy Ross found her receipt of \$13.16 for bus snacks on the Combined Lecture trip on Oct. 30, which Mary submitted to AIC for payment to Sandy. Our actual loss on this program was \$205.38. The total amount received for both seminars was \$1455. Speakers' fees were \$300 and \$350. Harlene will be reimbursed for her purchase of laptop cables, and for the speakers' travel expense. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Harlene, seconded by Joan. Motion approved.

MEMBERSHIP

Carol will attempt to resolve the conflict with AIC regarding our membership count and theirs.

PUBLICITY

Sandy has been working from Florida. She would like some pictures from the Feb. luncheon for future news items. Photos of our members may attract some attention.. Since Ginny Tolk will not attend, Diane will ask Bonnie Horne to bring her camera. Mari Harrer volunteered to bring her camera just in case.

TRANSPORTATION

No Report

EXPLORING ART

Lanny Ori will be reviewing two recent art books on Tuesday April 6th. She is always a crowd pleaser.

SEMINARS

All agreed that the seminars were very well-attended and the speakers were knowledgeable and enthusiastic. Hospitality's "table" was a big attraction. Harlene said additional chairs were used, and that more chairs should be requested for next year's seminars. Joan asked about noise control in the library's two meeting rooms. If there are meetings scheduled in both rooms, involving programs with speakers, the noise is a disservice to both groups. A discussion followed about reserving both rooms and whether the Library would agree. Or would the Library arrange scheduling to accommodate a solution? More discussion is needed.

HOSPITALITY

Diane said both seminars drew a large audience so next year the committee will request more chairs. She said there was food, coffee and tea left over. However, at the Fall Tea the opposite occurred and every bit of food was consumed. Since we have to buy all food served should we charge for the Tea? Members agreed to discontinue the sandwich trays and to not charge for the Tea.

HISTORIAN

No report. Anne is doing very well but is avoiding crowds because of H1N1 flue exposure.

EX-OFFICIO

No report

OLD BUSINESS

Carole announced the Nominating Committee has finished its deliberations and she distributed copies of the 2010-2011 slate of officers:

Chair Jo Brynildssen
Program Chairs Emma Gerosa and Harlene Perozzi
Secretary Jean Tittle
Treasurer Marianna Barr
Membership Carol Merritt
Exploring Art Judy Segebrecht
Transportation Nancy Evans
Publicity Sandy Ross
Hospitality Chairs Barbara Griggs and Diane Raak
Hospitality Committee Sally Biere, Jane Riley, Carol Hendricks and Eileen Koty
Program Committee Joan Bennett, Bonnie Horne, Ginny Tolk, Mary Wajda and Sandy Bonsignore
50th Anniversary Chair Mari Harrer
Historian Anne Sebastyan
Ex-Officio Carole Bulakowski

Carole asked for Board approval of the slate which was given by unanimous acclamation.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Chair Mari Harrer reported we will celebrate our anniversary in the year 2010-2011. She would like to carry the anniversary theme throughout the year's programs. Along with an event in or near Barrington there will be a luncheon and program in the Millennium Room at AIC. Venues suggested are the Cuneo Museum and Sea Horse Mansion. Another "Members Present Art" may be planned, location undecided.

NEW BUSINESS

Carole announced it is time to consider proposals for the Long Range Fund awarded by the Community Associates each year. The award of \$50,000 will go to one of three departments of AIC. We will vote on the following three proposals at the February Board meeting. Carole said Community Associates has donated a total of \$500,078.00 to the Long Range Fund.

A proposal from the Department of Conservation seeks funding to purchase an Osiris infrared Reflectography (IRR) imaging system to replace an aging system long in use at AIC. The new camera is able to penetrate more deeply into the surface of a painting than visible light. As the Dept. of Medieval through Modern Paintings and Sculpture and the Department of Conservation embark on the examination of 33 Monet paintings and 17 Renoirs for the scholarly online catalogue of French 19th century paintings, the need for an updated IRR system has become imperative. It is priced at \$58,000.

A proposal from the Department of Asian and Ancient Art requests funding to restore and remount, by an independent conservator, *Flowers of the Four Seasons*, a set of four hanging scrolls executed in ink and colors on silk by the 17th century painter-connoisseur Qian Chaoding. His mastery of meticulously descriptive, richly colored imagery was favored by the imperial court. Extensive structural and surface damage, however, precludes safe display of these works. Backing papers and silk borders are soiled; hanging cords and hardware are deteriorated; strong creases and stains from old mold and mildew, as well as fills, are conspicuously disfiguring. The approximate total cost, from obscurity to display is \$48,600.

A proposal from the Department of Ancient Art – Egyptian gallery – for CT scanning, conserving and displaying an ancient Egyptian mummy and coffin. In 2007, a mummy known as Weni-hotep and its accompanying coffin came home to the Art Institute after a loan of more than 50 years to another museum.

Since then we have learned she is indeed a female and four hundred years younger than the coffin. Now, however we would like to subject the mummy to a CT scan, which has the potential to tell us more about her. Some of the costs include transportation for the scan; 3-dimensional images and reconstructions; conservation of the mummy and the coffin; construction of a climate-controlled display case for exhibition; labels and signage which would credit the Community Associates' LRF for support.

The preliminary budget for the mummy project is \$46,200.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

The next meeting will be held at 9:15 a.m. at the Barrington Public Library on February 24, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,
Alice Berry
Recording Secretary
locum tenens

**BARRINGTON/NORTHWEST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATES
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Minutes of the Board meeting held on February 24, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carole Bulakowski called the meeting to order at 9:25 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Alice Berry, Carole Bulakowski, Jo Brynildssen, Peg Gabala, Mari Harrer, Mary Hart, Harlene Perozzi, Diane Raak, Jane Riley, Anne Sebastyan, Jean Tittle.

Members absent: Joan Bennett, Sally Biere, Lenore Elsener, Nancy Evans, Emma Gerosa, Barbara Griggs, Judy Hogan, Bonnie Horne, Carol Merritt, Sandra Ross, Judy Segebrecht, Virginia Tolk, Mary Wajda.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Carole thanked the Program Committee for their work for the luncheon at Wynstone. The speaker, Claire Copping Cross, was amusing and very knowledgeable. Unfortunately, the room was too bright for most of the 90 guests to see the slides.

Jane suggested that Wynstone would be a good place for an evening meeting including men. Mari Harrer offered to try to plan an evening program during the anniversary year which would include men.

Carole said the Board of Managers meeting included a talk by Ghenete Zelleke about European Decorative Arts now in Gallery 231. This includes many objects which have been in storage for many years.

The combined Community Associates have donated \$100,000.00 to the support of the Modern Wing.

AIC is conducting an audit to resolve Associates membership discrepancies, i.e., does B/NW have 198 or 199? Jeffrey Nigro is conducting a student seminar on April 9 & 10 at the School of AIC.

SECRETARY

Alice made a correction to Minutes of 1/27/10, under "50th Anniversary." The correct celebratory year is 2011-2012. No other corrections were offered. The motion to accept the Minutes was made by Jean and seconded by Diane. Motion was approved.

PROGRAMS

Jo reported that next year's programs are a work in progress. There will be a meeting with Jeff Nigro and Margaret Farr to discuss our proposals.

AIC has said we need three "community programs" (free) per year. The committee is considering another program by Lanny Ori, one by a professional framer and one by a decorator. Jo will investigate a trip to Pasquesi's for an "Art in the Garden." lecture. Harlene said her trip to Ten Chimneys was a great experience and well worth a visit. Jo sent around information on Eiteljorg Museum of American Indian Art in Indianapolis..

Jane recommended a web site for great modern art. Click on art.com and select "Art 21."

TREASURER

Mary reported from an AIC financial report dated 1/31/10 showing a balance of \$6,911.75 in net assets, compared to assets of \$5,054.50 at the beginning of our fiscal year at 7/1/09.

The January Seminar Series grossed \$1,455.00. The expenses were \$650.00 for speakers' fees, \$20.00 for travel expense, \$67.00 for adapter cables, totaling \$737.00. Net profit for the Series: \$718.00.

The February 11th luncheon at Wynstone grossed \$4,500.00 (90 reservations). Expenses were \$3,189.00 for lunch, tax, gratuity, room charge and valet service; \$350.00 speaker's fee; \$56.69 candy hearts for tables; totaling \$3,595.69. Net profit for the luncheon: \$904.31.

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Treasurer (cont'd)

Mary reported on the year's programs. We show a gain on five programs for a total of \$4,043.88. Three programs cost us money in the amount of \$1,149.58. The most expensive was the Fall Tea at \$894.20 because we buy or accept donations for all the food we serve. At this point we show a net gain of \$2,894.30 on our programs.

Jo made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Harlene seconded. Motion approved.

MEMBERSHIP

No report

PUBLICITY

Photos taken at the luncheon have been sent to Sandy for local newspaper articles.

TRANSPORTATION

Nancy has made bus arrangements for the March 18th trip. We may use a smaller bus. We have 25 reservations as of today.

EXPLORING ART

Arrangements are all set for Lanny's program. The corrected publicity is being sent out.

SEMINARS

Sandy Bonsignore has accepted the Chairmanship.

HOSPITALITY

Diane said she will circulate a sign-up sheet on the April trip bus, requesting volunteers to buy food for the Fall Tea.

HISTORIAN

Anne presented some historical information. When the Woman's Board started Community Associates, part of each group's responsibilities was a community service project. Barrington Community Associates' project was Picture Lady Education, later called Art Awareness Education when fathers became involved. Scheduled meetings were held in Barrington, first at Langendorf Park and later at the Presbyterian Church. The AIC Education department sent instructors. District 15 paid for volunteer Picture Ladies /Art Awareness and some other school districts paid, too. Otherwise, individuals paid the small fee. BCA covered the speakers' fees and transportation. The Hospitality Committee served doughnuts and apple juice. Attendance was usually 150+. The Education Committee visited schools and sent information to Arts Chairpersons and/or P.T.A. Chairs. When art teachers were provided by the schools, our service project ended. Anne wonders if we should consider a similar project now, given the atmosphere in education today. Art, music, phys. ed., choir, etc. are being cancelled because of financial distress. Carole responded that it is something we should talk about. Anne provided a Tribune article suggesting ways that parents can involve their children in fine arts. She also gave us copies of a WSJ salute to the National Gallery of Art. Anne said there is a new art group in Barrington – BCCA are the initials – but knows little about the organization.

EX-OFFICIO

No report

OLD BUSINESS

Carole reported changes in the Board roster for 2010-2011: Meryl Rotzien will join the Program Committee; Sandy Bonsignore is Chair of Seminars; Diane Raak will join Barbara Griggs as Hospitality Co-Chair.

Mari made a motion to accept the revised roster, Jane seconded. Motion approved.

Regarding the Long Range Fund, Alice read synopses of the three proposals: Department of Conservation

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request for Osiris infrared reflectography system; Department of Asian and Ancient Art request to restore and remount 17th C. painted silk panels; and Department of Ancient Art – Egyptian Gallery to CT scan, conserve and display an ancient Egyptian mummy, Weni-hotep, and its accompanying coffin. Ballots were issued, votes were counted. Results were 8-5-5. Since we are allowed only 6 votes, the tally was reduced to 4-1-1. All agreed.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mari said Sea Horse Mansion would be a good place for a day program and a tour of the owners' art collection but serving food would be a difficult option. Valet parking would be needed. Again, Wynstone was suggested for a night event, including men, and with food.. Cuneo is still on the list, and Mari volunteered to call for accommodations and fees.

NEW BUSINESS.

Carole reminded everyone to begin planning for the Board outing in June. Ten Chimneys in Genesee Depot, Wisconsin was suggested. Also, Black Point Mansion Historic Preserve, accessible by Lake Geneva Cruise Line.

The motion to adjourn was made by Jo, seconded by Mary Hart. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

The next meeting will be held at 9:15 A.M. at the Barrington Public Library on March 24, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,
Alice Berry
Recording Secretary
locum tenens

**BARRINGTON/NORTHWEST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATES
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Minutes of the Board meeting held on Wednesday, March 24, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Chair pro tem Jo Brynildssen called the meeting to order at 9:20 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Joan Bennett, Alice Berry, Jo Brynildssen, Emma Gerosa, Barbara Griggs, Mari Harrer, Mary Hart, Harlene Perozzi, Diane Raak, Sandra Ross, Mary Wajda.

Members absent: Sally Biere, Carole Bulakowski, Lenore Elsener, Nancy Evans, Peg Gabala, Judy Hogan, Bonnie Horne, Carol Merritt, Jane Riley, Anne Seabastian, Judy Segebrecht, Jean Tittle, Virginia Tolk.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

On March 8th Carole, Jo, Emma, Mari Harrer and LaVere LaRue attended the Board of Managers meeting at AIC. Stephanie D'Allesandro, curator of the Matisse exhibit, presented a program about the exhibit. The publicity for Matisse has been outstanding. After lunch the results of the Long Range Fund vote by the Associates groups was announced. The request for an Osiris infrared reflectography camera system received the most votes. Restoration and preservation of the Egyptian mummy received the second highest number of votes. Also, Cleopatra Alexander, director of the Albert Pick, Jr. Fund presented a check for \$10,000. toward the Egyptian restoration. Jo announced that Lenore will be the Vice-Chairman and Carole will be Research and Lecture Chairman of the Board of Managers next year.

SECRETARY

There were no corrections or additions to the Minutes. Mary Hart made a motion to approve, Harlene seconded, and the motion was approved.

PROGRAMS

Emma presented a proposed schedule for 2010-2011:

9/2/10 – Fall tea. Dr Frances Casadio speaks on AIC Meets CSI.

9/21/10 – AIC - Jeff Nigro will give a program about fashions in Jane Austen's day. Women's Board Coffee, Treasure Hunt. Lunch on your own.

10/7/10 – Exploring Art - Honquest Furniture. Lecture on Oriental Rugs.

10/28/10 – Excursion touring Graceland Cemetery and Bohemian Cemetery. Lunch at Francesca's on Bryn Mawr.

11/4/10 – AIC – Combined Associates Lecture. Photography with Terry Evans. Lunch at Lockwood in the Palmer House.

12/14/10 – AIC – Lecture by Margaret Farr on Winter Art. Tour of the Cultural Center. Lunch in the Millennium Room.

2/4/11 – Evening event – Emmett's Tavern in Palatine. Miranda Hofelt on "Brewers in Germany and France." Dinner served.

3/18/11 – Exploring Art – Barrington Library. Chris Mayberry, master framer. Art of framing.

April, 2011 – No date yet – Art Institute/ Chicago Symphony. Lunch on your own.

5/19/11 – Tour of Chinatown. Lunch at Hing Kee.

TREASURER

Mary received our financial report from AIC dated 3/15/10 showing a balance in our account of \$12,445.06 compared to \$6,911.75 last month. It does not show the amount paid to Wynstone of \$2,689.00, paid by Visa credit card. When that amount is deducted our balance will be \$9,756.06. It does list the program revenue from the Seminar Series and the Wynstone luncheon. (See February 24th Minutes.)

The March 18th program, The Book of Kells and Book and Paper Art attracted 27 members for total revenue

TREASURER (Cont'd)

of \$2,025.00. Lunch at The Gage cost \$1,166.37 and a speaker's fee at the Center of Book and Paper Art was \$125.00. We used a smaller bus, but the bus bill has not yet arrived.

"I am meeting with Mariana Barr tomorrow at my home to review the treasurer's duties with her. We are so fortunate that she is so qualified to be Treasurer next fiscal year."

Mari made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Sandy seconded. Motion approved.

MEMBERSHIP No report

PUBLICITY

Sandy was pleased to hear the Wynstone program was a success but sorry the room could not be darkened for the slide presentation. She was unable to use the photos taken at the event for publicity. Sandy said she will need help next year with transmitting photos to publishers. Jo said she would ask Bonnie Horne for her help.

TRANSPORTATION No report

EXPLORING ART No report

SEMINARS No report

HOSPITALITY

Barbara will contact Judy regarding plans for the Seminar Series.

HISTORIAN No report

EX-OFFICIO No report

50th ANNIVERSARY

Mari is sending a letter to Mrs. Roberts at Woodlands/Sea Horse Palace asking if she will approve a tour in September or early October, including a tea with light refreshments, limited seating, and valet parking. Would she be willing to lead the tour since she is the creator of the collection? Also, Cuneo may still be planned for an event during the year, but Mari has not received a response from her inquiries. Jo suggested tabling further discussion until after the programs are finalized.

NEW BUSINESS

Jo said Carole is scheduled for hip surgery on June 11th and would like to hold the combined Board luncheon at her home on **May 26th**, the May Board meeting day. Carole is planning the Board outing, hopefully in June or early July, somewhere nearby.

The motion to adjourn was made by Diane, seconded by Mari. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10.25 A.M.

The next meeting will be held at 9:15 A.M. at the Barrington Library on Wednesday, April 28, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,
Alice Berry
Recording Secretary
Locum tenens

**BARRINGTON/NORTHWEST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATES
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Minutes of the Board meeting held on April 28, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carole Bulakowski called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Joan Bennett; Carole Bulakowski; Jo Brynildssen; Lenore Elsener; Emma Gerosa; Mari Harrer; Mary Hart; Bonnie Horne; Carol Merritt; Harlene Perozzi; Diane Raak; Sandra Ross; Anne Sebastyan; Judy Segebrecht; Jean Tittle; Virginia Tolk and Mary Wajda.

Members absent: Sally Biere; Nancy Evans; Peg Gabala; Barbara Griggs; Judy Hogan and Jane Riley.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Carole thanked Jo for chairing the March meeting and also for her work as day chair of the AIC-CSO program on April 19th. There were 54 members in attendance at that event. She thanked Sandy for her articles in the Barrington LifeStyles newspaper which prompted several calls from area residents who were interested in that program and our group. Carole also updated us on the Board of Managers meeting on April 12, 2010. There was an interesting presentation by Pat Loiko who is the Executive Director of Museum Registration who spoke about the behind the scenes preparation for the Matisse exhibit. Packing and crating and storing the crates is a tremendous undertaking. Lenore added information about how some museums have had to reconstruct doorways or make channels in the ceilings to accommodate art. Mari Harrer spoke about increased security required by airlines including screening for insects and contraband as well as weight balance on cargo planes. At the meeting, the \$5000.00 scholarship winner, Robin Dluzen, was introduced. Carole reported that after July 1st, the community associate groups will no long be connected to the Women's Board. Lenore noted that the details are still being worked out and we will be receiving more information about this later. From June until September, the Chicago Cultural Center will be featuring primitive art by Rev. Howard Finster. Emma shared some details about the artist and the exhibit.

SECRETARY

Jo moved that the minutes of the March 24, 2010 meeting be approved as corrected. The motion was seconded by Harlene. Joan commented that Alice had done a wonderful job taking the minutes for the past three months. Jean also added her appreciation.

PROGRAM

Jo read a note she received from Judy Stevens. Our spring excursion will be on May 21st and 56 people have signed up to see the Robie House, Rockefeller Chapel and the Smart Museum. Lunch will be at La Petite Folie. There are three entrée choices and Jo will ask people when they are on the bus to make a selection and she will phone in the information to the restaurant. Emma volunteered to check with the people who board the bus at Lagendorf Park. Since Judy S. is unable to be there that day, Carole offered to help with the day chair responsibilities. Emma shared some of the exciting plans for the 2010 -2011 year. She has day chairs for most events. Mary W. offered to be the day chair for the April 12, 2011 AIC-CSO program. Jo volunteered to follow up with the day chair who is not on the board to make sure she understands the responsibilities/procedures of the task. Emma and Harlene have been working on completing the copy for the Program Book.

TREASURER

Mary Hart has not yet received the latest financial report from the AIC. Expenses for the March 18th program were \$228.27 less than expected as a smaller bus was used, but we still incurred a loss of \$243.21 on the excursion. Revenue was \$2,025.00 and expenses totaled \$2,268.21. The AIC-CSO event brought in \$3,300.00 and expenses were \$2849.14 leaving a probable profit of \$450.86. (If the bus bill is as expected) Mary indicated that

the AIC policy has changed their petty cash policy. All expenses are to be submitted by invoice payment request. They are also requiring that their Visa credit cards which will not be used by returning officers in the next fiscal year be turned in to AIC by May 1st. This will leave us with one person in the group with a Visa card until they process the new ones. Carole reminded us that at our next meeting we will need to discuss our donations to the Barrington Library and to Harvest Bible Church for use of their parking lot. Ginny asked about the tax free number. Jo said she would get the new one. Harlene noted that it is on the AIC website and it is good until May 2011. Mari Harrer moved that the treasurer's report be approved, seconded by Joan.

MEMBERSHIP

Carol reported that we have 203 members. Harlene asked about the information in our current booklets about applying for membership since the AIC has now gone to a revolving membership program. Bonnie suggested that the AIC will give us the information they want us to use in our new booklets.

PUBLICITY

Sandy relayed that her initial newspaper publicity articles in the fall promote membership with necessary contacts listed. Now with the revolving memberships, she feels she will have to include that information in each article. Carol M. said that the member relations contact from the AIC must be mentioned. Lenore suggested that Carol's name be listed first, then the AIC contact.

TRANSPORTATION

The program committee will get in touch with Nancy about bus contracts for next year.

EXPLORING ART

Lanny Ori gave an excellent program in April. Attendance was very good.

SEMINAR SERIES – No Report

HOSPITALITY

Diane has gotten quite a few volunteers for events next year and will follow up with those volunteers.

HISTORIAN

Anne passes around a brochure from the AIC, "Welcome to Modern Circa Now".

EX-OFFICIO

Lenore would like to get photographs of the group activities for the website. Lenore will give us the name of the contact person for the photographs.

OLD BUSINESS

Carole presented three suggestions for the summer board outing which included going to Ten Chimneys in Genesse Depot, WI, the Black Point Estate in Lake Geneva, WI, or the Charnley Persky House Museum on Astor St. in Chicago. The group decided on the visit to the Black Point Estate which can only be reached by the boat tour. Due to time constraints, there will be a box luncheon on board. The outing will be on Tuesday, June 8, 2010. Board members can give checks for \$42.00 to Carole no later than the May 26th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Our next board meeting will be on May 26th at Carole's home which will include current and incoming board members. The meeting will be followed by a potluck luncheon. A sign up sheet was passed around. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

The next meeting will be held at Carole Bulakowski's home at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Tittle
Recording Secretary

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Minutes of the Board meeting held on May 26, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carole Bulakowski called the meeting to order at her home at 10:15 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Joan Bennett; Carole Bulakowski; Jo Brynildssen; Nancy Evans; Emma Gerosa; Barbara Griggs; Mari Harrer; Mary Hart; Bonnie Horne; Harlene Perozzi; Diane Raak; Jane Riley; Sandra Ross; Judy Segebrecht; Jean Tittle; Virginia Tolk and Mary Wajda. Also in attendance were new board members Marianna Barr; Sandy Bonsignore; Carol Hendricks; Eileen Koty; Meryl Rotzien and Alice Berry (locum tenens).

Members absent: Sally Biere; Lenore Elsener; Peg Gabala; Judy Hogan; Carol Merritt; and Anne Sebestyan.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Carole welcomed everyone and thanked the group for all the work they had done this past year. Members introduced themselves and shared how they became acquainted with the BNWCA as well as what position they would have for the 2010- 2011 year.

Carole updated us on the Board of Managers meeting that she attended along with Harlene, Emma and Mari Harrer. Technology is playing an increasing role at the Art Institute. The website has more than 48000 images. Pathfinders can be used to expedite the finding of a specific exhibit and virtual tours can scan an exhibit room. The education center is providing training for teachers so they can utilize Art Institute offerings in their classrooms. There are two important issues that will impact community associate groups. One is the separation of the Woman's Board and the Community Associate groups which will have financial implications for us. Currently Irene Sneed's salary is covered by the AIC but in 2011-2012 the community associate groups will be responsible for the funding. Carole will be on a committee that will investigate options on how to cover that cost. Mary W. suggested that our end of the year gift to the AIC might be used instead for our needs. Emma suggested budgeting line items. The second issue is the reduction in force of AIC personnel including Jeff Nigro who has been so helpful to our group and was scheduled to speak to the BNWCA in September. Both Carole and Lenore will find out who will be our contact person now. For members who might want to contact Jeff to express appreciation for his work, his address is:

Jeff Nigro
6814 N. Northwest Hwy #101
Chicago, Il 60631
Email: jnigro299@sbcglobal.net

SECRETARY

Judy S. moved that the minutes of our last meeting be approved, seconded by Jo. Motion carried.

PROGRAM

Our excursion to the Robie House, Rockefeller Chapel and Smart Museum was very successful. Sandy's publicity for the event encouraged high attendance and a wait list was instituted. Next year we will not have Friday trips downtown but the Robie House was only available on a Friday this year. Contracts are in place for the Barrington Presbyterian Church location for our fall tea on September 2, 2010.

TREASURER

The May 18, 2010 financial report from the AIC shows a balance of \$11,147.45.

Revenue generated by the spring excursion was \$4820.00 with expenses of \$3437.93 (lunch at La Petite Folie - \$1766.88; Robie House - \$610.00; estimated bus contract price - \$1211.05; driver tip - \$50.000) leaving an estimated profit of \$1182.07. Mary Hart estimates that we will have about \$4100.00 left in our budget after all

other expenses are paid. Carole asked for member suggestions for end of the year gifts to Harvest Bible Church for the use of their parking lot as well as to the Barrington Library for use of their meeting room. Mary W. suggested we give \$250.00 to Harvest Bible and \$600.00 to the Barrington Library. There was a discussion about other expenses including lunch provisions for those members who attend the Board of Managers meetings downtown, gifts to the AIC and money to be set aside for the 50th Anniversary Fund. Mari Harrer and Mary W. gave new board members some history of the monies given in the past to the AIC. In response to the discussion, Harlene moved that we give the AIC \$1000.00 for the long range fund and \$200.00 for research and development. Motion seconded by Jo, motion carried. Then Jo moved that we follow Mary W.'s suggestion of \$600.00 to the Barrington Library, \$250.00 to Harvest Bible and \$600.00 for members' lunches. Harlene seconded the motion, motion carried. Mari Harrer moved that we add \$1000.00 to the anniversary fund, seconded by Jo, motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP

No report

PUBLICITY

Sandy was complimented on her work this year. Copies of the recent article in Lifestyles were passed around.

TRANSPORTATION

Nancy reported that we will use Mid America Bus transportation again next year and contracts are ready for next year. They have not increased their fees.

EXPLORING ART

Judy S. noted that the program presented by Lanny Ori was very well received.

SEMINAR SERIES

Sandy Bonsignore will be the new chair for the Seminar Series.

HOSPITALITY

Barbara and Diane relayed that they have had a good response to the volunteer list for providing food items. The Fall Tea is scheduled for September 2, 2010 at the Barrington Presbyterian Church. They will check on the speaker's needs for any equipment.

HISTORIAN

No report

EX-OFFICIO

No report

OLD BUSINESS

The board outing will be on Tuesday, June 8, 2010. At present there are 10 members going to the Black Point Estate at Lake Geneva, WI.

Mari Harrer updated us on the plans for the 50th Anniversary. After investigating the use of the Cuneo Estate, Mari noted that their pricing isn't set and it may be too costly. Carole and Mari told the new members about the earlier visit to the Sea Horse Palace in Barrington Hills. Carole said there were two possibilities which included having the Fall Tea there in 2011 or having an event celebration there. Sandy recommended that we have our tea at the Presbyterian Church as usual and advertise the Sea Horse Palace event which could be held at the end of September or early October. Eileen Koty suggested that we set up a table at the tea to accept checks for the event. Mary Hart moved that we adopt Sandy's suggestion, seconded by Diane, motion carried.

Mari Harrer spoke about the senior celebration held at the AIC. We used to support this event and she will find out more information about this.

NEW BUSINESS

Jo presented Carole with a gift for her excellent service as chair of the BNWCA. She explained to the new members the tradition behind the gift. Carole thanked everyone for enriching her experience as chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. followed by our luncheon.

Information regarding the first meeting of the fall will be sent to members.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Tittle
Recording Secretary