

Lake County Camera Club (LCCC)

Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2024

ZOOM @ 6:30 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Officer and Committee Reports

- **President– Tom Brandt** called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: February 15, 2024

Roll Call:

Board Members: Tom Brandt, Jennifer Durot, Gary Edwards, Liz Rose Fisher, Tony Roma, Jim Ross, Bill Sullivan

Committee Members: Susan Baron, Sheri Sparks, Tim Elliott, Carl Stineman

Guests:

Approval of Minutes:

1. December 14, 2023: Jim Ross made a motion, seconded by Gary Edwards to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

1. Shutter Café (Breakfast) Location: The Liberty Restaurant, Libertyville Great turnout! Convenient location. We will meet here until we change the location in the future for a change of pace. RSVPs necessary to reserve a table.
2. Competition Rules Update: LCCC Handbook Meeting Feb. 8th @ 5:00 Liz Rose Fisher's House
3. Getting Others Involved: This is a monthly goal. Joe Rosenberg offered to help check in prints at the next competition.
4. Competition Viewing—Screen Quality (Ongoing): Tom Brandt will let people know when he will be at the church to try using a screen and a separate monitor before the competition. A few people offered to help.
5. New Program Chairperson Needed for 2023-2024: Still looking for a volunteer or two. Tom Brandt, Gary Edwards, and Liz Rose Fisher have asked a few people, all of whom declined.

6. Newsletter: Tony will work on it. We discussed a scaled-back version with announcements and an article so that it won't be so time-consuming.
7. Insurance Coverage: Jennifer Durot asked Northwest Insurance Network to shop around for insurance coverage to see what is available. She also spoke with current State Farm Agent Bill Hume and conveyed his comments about our current coverage to the Board. She feels that we are adequately covered for \$180 per year. We are covered for any legal liability if someone sues us: 1,000,000 business liability per occurrence/ 2,000,000 general aggregate. Directors and Officers are included. We are covered for medical liability \$10,000 per person. We are covered for damage to the premises we rent-\$300,000. We do not have a surety bond on the treasurer.
8. Publicity Person Needed for 2024: We need someone to run an open LCCC Facebook page and post announcements, award-winning and honorable mention photos, and so forth to try to attract new members. This person could oversee the production of a brochure that we could distribute to various libraries and camera stores.

➤ **New Business**

1. Potluck or Get-together in January Cancelled

➤ **Presidents-Elect – Tom Brandt and Liz Rose Fisher**

- **Long Range Planning Coordinator –Tom Brandt and Liz Rose Fisher**
- **Competition Chair – Liz Rose Fisher**
- **Competition Assistant – Carl Stineman**
- **Judge Procurer – Harold Hauser**
- **CACCA Representative – Linda Kruzic**
- **PSA Representative – Jim Ross**
 - **PSA: Travel – Cristina McGill**
 - **PSA: Photojournalism – Marc Huntley**
 - **PSA: Nature – Sheri Sparks**
 - **PSA: Projected Image – Ron Sheade**
 - **Recent PSA Results**

➤ **Treasurer – Jim Ross**

Month's checking balance \$ 4,957.84

Income since last report \$ 0

Expenses since last report \$ 100 (Church rental)

Checking Balance \$ 4,857.84

Savings balance \$ 6,113.39

Cash Box - Other \$ 95.00

Total \$ 11,066.23

- **Membership – Sue Baron**

- **Secretary – Jennifer Durot**

- **Newsletter Editor – Tony Roma**
- **Webmasters – Sue and John Baron**
- **Challenges – Mike Ludtke** No themes. Send in your favorite images taken each month.
- **Payment Center on Website – Sue Baron**
- **Event Communication – Jennifer Durot and Susan Baron**

- **VP of Internal Operations – Bill Sullivan**

- **Program Co-Chairs – Vacant**
 - Plans for Programs/Calendar Updates: Liz Rose Fisher will contact Bob & Marie Rakozzy to see if they will come in March to talk about the postcard competition coming in April and share some tips and examples. Other suggestions include asking Tom Bigelski to talk about macrophotography with snowflakes, or Bob Benson to talk about becoming a better judge. In some clubs, the members do the judging and critiquing.
- **Facilities Coordinator – Bill Sullivan**
- **Hospitality Desk Coordinator – Sue Matsunaga**
 - Treats for February: Tim Elliott
- **New Member folder – Sue Baron**

- **VP of External Operations – Gary Edwards**

- **Excursion Chair – Tim Elliott**
 - 2024 Excursions/Calendar Updates:
 - January 27 – Chicago Botanic Garden
 - February 24 – Dawes House, Evanston (Write-Up Needed) Tim Elliott will resend the write-up to be posted on the calendar.
 - March 23 – Old Joliet Prison
 - April 27 – Daniel Wright Woods

Gary Edwards noted that the calendar needs to be updated. We discussed how some people like to plan ahead.

- **Community Involvement Coordinator – Gary Edwards**
- **Publicity – Vacancy**

- **Past President –**

- **Continuing Education Coordinator – Jim Ross**
- **Small-Groups Coordinator – Sue Baron**

- Small Post-Processing Group at Lake Villa District Library on February 17th at 10:30 a.m. This group meets on the third Saturday of the month at Lake Villa District Library at 10:30 a.m. We decided that we do not need to cancel, as long as we have a few people willing to come. There is no minimum group size.
- A Small Light Box Group is starting on Monday, February 5th. Call Sue Baron if interested.
- A Special Projects/Creative Ideas Small Group is starting. See Liz Rose Fisher or Tom Brandt for more info if interested.
- A Portraits Small Group has started. See Mary Ellen Rescek if interested.

- **Upcoming Events – See Calendar for Details**

- Shutter Café: February 17th (3rd Saturday of the month, The Liberty Restaurant, Libertyville, at 9:00 a.m.)
- Feedback Corner: Before non-competition meetings at 6:30 p.m. (January, March, May, June, July, August, September, November)
- Next Meeting: February 1st at 6:45 p.m. ***Competition Prints should be submitted by 6:15 p.m.***
- BIRTHDAYS:
 - February 8 – Mike Ludtke
 - February 24 – Egon Schein
 - March 3 – Kate Scott

Other:

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.