

The June 17,'17 meeting of the MCGA was called to order by president Sandy Hinrichs at 10:05a.m. with seven members present.

Minutes: Larry Eldelberg made a motion to accept minutes as printed on the Web, second Ruth Stuart, motion approved.

Treasurers:- Lou White presented the report - starting balance \$3473.32, income- \$214.00 and expenses:\$362.78,which included teacher fee, two months rent and supplies, leaving a balance of \$3324.54. Diane SurrIDGE made a motion to accept as presented, Sandy Second, motion approved.

Old Business: November Show- Glenda Damm said she talked to Dan and found out there is a new manager at Markets of Marion. According to Dan the manager had already rented building H on a full time basis. Don is no long there but manages the Big Top Flea Market by Tampa. He did offer a place but that is over two hours away.

Notifications: Sandy notified the gourd society that the club is not doing the show this yer. She said she will check with Stephanie Clere about contacting the other two vendors.

Lunch: It was decided at the May meeting to no longer provide lunch unless we had a seminar teacher. Members can bring snacks or a lunch if they so desire.

Building:Diane told the club she is still looking for a larger building. Part of the problem is because we, saw, drill and sand, etc. making a little more mess than just painting. Lou said she had asked members to continue to look.

The present location is only temporary, however we can use it through the end of the year.

New Business:

Starting time: Lou made a motion to change the starting time to 10 a.m., since the business does not open until 10a.m. and it is no use standing outside waiting for someone to open. The motion was seconded by Diane; approved.

Retreat: The FGS Retreat will be held this year September 14-17. Since several member said they planned to attend the retreat, it was suggested that possibly Lois Owens could switch her -seminar to August and we would not have a September meeting. This will be taken up at next month's meeting.

November Seminar- Gabby Hunter and known artist/ gourds will be presenting the November project. Sandy showed members three different items she has proposed; A crazy bird, gnome or Fairy. At the seminar she will do two of the gourds-doing quick wood application in the morning and painting in the afternoon.

A motion was made by Sandy that members prepay for seminars like the other artist clubs do. Lou seconded the motion approved.

Class Fees- Glenda made a motion that members should have to pay class fee if the sign up for a class. She said the teacher has to get supplies ahead of time. Larry seconded the motion, with an amendment that it would not apply to an emergency. Approved. This was discussed at he may meeting also.

Mini shows- several members mentioned that there are a few places the members could display, sell the gourds as well as inform people about MCGA. Sandy said Eustis has a first Friday every month. She is going to check on table rent, etc. She said members could price gourds and the ones who live in the area could that them on and off.

Diane said that Lake Ridge Winery also has a craft show and will look into that possibility.

Diane made a motion to adjourn, second Larry, meeting adjourned 10:40 a.m.

Sandy presented a class on a Filigree bowls. Only three members attended the class, which included; applying a pattern, cutting, cleaning gourd, sanding and filigree using a dremel.

Respectively submitted'

Lou White sect/treas