

YSA Board Meeting
January 14, 2026

The Meeting was called to order at 4:39 PM by
YSA President, Kerby Smith.

Present were: Kerby Smith, Lura Schwarz Smith, Gina Mims,
Barbara Liss, Sandra Scott, Vicki Thomas, Monica Lasgoity,
Wendy Denton, Sheila Boyd, Andrew Regner, and Nancy Bednar.

Secretary- Nancy Bednar

The approval of the minutes was stopped with an exception by
Barbara Liss. Barbara stated that she remembered being at the
November meeting and making a report.

The Secretary will review the recorded minutes of the November
meeting. Minutes for the November and January meetings will be
submitted for approval at the February meeting.

*Note: The recording of the November meeting was reviewed and
it was found that Barbara was not present at the YSA Board meeting
in November, 2025.*

Treasurer/Membership- Monica Lasgoity

Monica reported that YSA currently has 156 members. Cash on
Hand is \$23,993.56. A full year end report was sent to all members
of the Board. Monica reported that operating expenses are well in
line with membership.

Technology/Website Status- Jennifer Moss (not in attendance)

Marketing- Gina Mims

Gina reported that she is currently promoting the January 24th
presentation.

Portrait Group- Lura Schwarz Smith

Lura reported that the next portrait session will be “Live Model”.
There was a discussion concerning space available/reservations
for the Live session and the current Model Contracts and how
images from the “Live Model” sessions may be used.

Board Members

President: Kerby Smith

Past President: Barbara Liss

V.P. - Grants for Non-Profits: Wendy
Denton

V.P. - Demos: Open

V.P. - Community Outreach/Marketing:
Gina Mims

V.P. - Technology: Jennifer Moss

V.P. - Hospitality: Vicki Thomas

Secretary: Nancy Bednar

Treasurer/Membership: Monica
Lasgoity

Committee/Event Chairs

Newsletter editor: Sheila Boyd

Gallery Manager: Barbara Liss

Portrait Group: Lura Schwarz Smith

Photo Group: Autumn Ensign

Plein Air: Mary Beth Harrison & Lisa
Zylstra

Women’s Voices: Wendy Denton &
Jennifer Moss

YGAC Spotlight: Carolyn Hartling

Community Galleries: Barbara Liss

United Security Bank: Sheila Boyd
& Sandee Scott

Social Media: opportunity available

Fundraising: opportunity available

Education: opportunity available

Historian: opportunity available

Plein Air- Mary Beth Harrison (not in attendance)

Mary Beth sent a report on the Plein Air Group to the entire group. It was also read aloud to the group.

Photo Group- Autumn Ensign (not in attendance)

Wendy Denton reported that the next meeting will be a video presentation on AI in photography, followed by a group discussion.

YSA and Community Galleries- Barbara Liss

Barbara encouraged more contributions to the YSA Gallery. The Visitors Center Wall is currently booked until August.

United Security Bank- Sheila Boyd

Sheila reported that United Security Bank has recently been acquired by Community West Bank. The future of art displays in the bank is unknown. Update to follow.

Old Business-

Social Media Interviews- Jennifer Moss (not in attendance)

Reminder: News Letter Submissions- Sheila Boyd

Sheila asked that submissions to the Newsletter be done in a timely fashion.

New Business-

Au Naturele- Gina Mims

Gina reported that the show is scheduled for April-May.

Kerby volunteered to help with Smarter Entry. Barbara Liss volunteered to help juror entries.

55th Annual Open- Kerby Smith

The dates for the show were discussed. It was decided that Kerby will request the use of Gallery 5 at YGAC for 4 weeks, June 16 to July 7, 2026. Kerby will negotiate with Nicole at YGAC regarding the dates and terms.

Additional Business *(not on the agenda)*

Barbara Liss asked that the position of VP/Gallery Manager be created to allow her to remain a voting member of the Board when her term of Past President expires on July 1st. Sheila Boyd made a motion to that effect. The motion received a second from Wendy Denton. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 PM