

## **YSA Board Meeting Minutes (2nd Revision) February 11, 2026**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by President, Kerby Smith. Present were: Andrew Regner, Sheila Boyd, Barbara Liss, Gina Mims, Monica Lasgoity, Lura Schwarz Smith, Carolyn Hartling, Autumn Ensign, Jennifer Moss, Wendy Denton, Kerby Smith, and Nancy Bednar.

**Secretary:** Nancy Bednar

A motion to accept minutes for November, 2025 and January, 2026 was made by Barbara Liss, a second was made by (inaudible...reported to have been Jennifer Moss)

Minutes for November and January were approved.

**Treasurer:** Monica Lasgoity

A detailed treasurer's report was emailed to all board members.

Cash on Hand is \$24, 318.69

Current Membership is 154.

Monica requested a discussion regarding the Wells Fargo account, and expanding access to that account. It was decided that the discussion was to be left to the May meeting.

### **Chair Reports**

**Technology and Website Status-** Jennifer Moss

Jennifer reported that "Visions of Self" will open online, March 1st. The Reception is scheduled for March 14, Noon to 3PM

**Art Demos/Non-Profit Grants-** Wendy Denton

Sheila Boyd reported that she will be doing a "Framing" Demo on a date TBD in May. A sign up sheet will be posted and a fee to cover the cost of supplies will be announced.

Gina Mims announced that another "Business of Art" presentation will be given in September or October.

Wendy Denton announced that she has sent out 140 letters describing the benefits of Art for the business community and inclosed a donation request. The letters contained opportunities for donations on a website and by return mail.

**Marketing-** Gina Mims

Gina reported that the Art and Wine Hop will have the same locations as last year as well as adding a stop at the Fairfield Inn. A motion was made by Barbara Liss for the participation of YSA in the upcoming Art and Wine Hop. The motion was seconded by Sheila Boyd and passed by all board members in attendance.

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**Portrait Group-** Lura Schwarz Smith

Lura reported good attendance at the last session and announced that next month Preston Sullivan will be the Male Live Model.

**Plein Air-** Mary Beth Harrison/ Lisa Zylstra

Mary Beth sent a report on the activities of the Plein Air Group to all Board Members. The March outing will be to the Farm at Worman Mill.

**Photo Group-** Autumn Ensign/ Jennifer Moss

Autumn reported that this month's topic is Manual Mode. Kerby offered the use of Zoom access to the Photo Group.

**Community Galleries and Face Book-** Barbara Liss

Barbara reported that Facebook is being monitored every day and that there is good community participation.

Barbara reported that the Visitor's Center Wall is booked for display by YSA members for the remainder of the year. She also reported that the future of art displays at the bank is uncertain, however, art from YSA members will be installed again on Thursday.

**Gallery Row and YSA Showcase-** Carolyn Hartling

The current displays will end on March 9th, with pick up on March 14th.

The Gallery 5 Display is "Valley of Light". This show will be on display for the remainder of the month.

**Old Business**

**Social Media and Interviews for YSA Gallery-** Jennifer Moss

Jennifer reported that interviews are moving forward and that she will cover the YSA Gallery Anniversary.

**YSA Newsletter Submissions-** Sheila Boyd

The newsletter is published on the 25th of the month. Input for the newsletter needs to be submitted by the 18th of the month.

**Au Naturele-** Gina Mims

Gina reported that the show opens on a Friday. Entries are local, about 35. "Au Naturele" will go up after "Visions of Self"

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**55th Open- Kerby Smith**

Kerby announced that the dates for the 55th Annual Open will be June 16-July 7, 2026. The cost of the Gallery time will be \$800.00.

**New Business**

**YSA Gallery Anniversary- Barbara Liss**

The celebration will take place on March 15th (Sunday) from 12-3PM. Planned are 4 pop-ups in the parking lot, 3 for art and 1 for refreshments.

Kerby made a motion for YSA to allocate a \$200.00 budget for food and drink. The motion was seconded by Wendy Denton and passed with a unanimous vote.

Kerby agreed to contact YSA members to provide entertainment.

*Barbara Liss made the following announcements; The Mariposa Paint-Out is April 22nd-26th. Madera County Arts Council; "Held in Common" entries before-Feb. 22nd. Reception March 9th.*

*Orange Festival in Lindsay is sponsoring the Orange Blossom Show. Entries are on Smarter Entry ( up to 3 Pieces). Lura announced the "Nature of Wild Works" in conjunction with Coarsegold Animal Rescue, Date TBA...early May.*

Andrew Regner- Andrew agreed to run for YSA President in June. Andrew promised a "Statement of Platform" in the next month or two.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 PM

Minutes written and submitted by Nancy Bednar