

UPAA MID YEAR BOARD MEETING
Sunday November 3, 2013 – Birmingham, Alabama
Samford University

Board members present are Glenn Carpenter, Moraine Valley Community College, Robert Jordan, University of Mississippi, Nick Romanenko, Rutgers, Bill Bitzinger, Ferris State, Jay Ferchaud , University of Mississippi Medical Center. Donny Crowe, Louisiana Tech, Caroline Summers, Samford University and Mark Carriveau, Elgin Community College recording. Melissa Humble, Auburn University was also in attendance.

Call to Order - 9:46 am

Glenn calls for a motion to accept minutes from June 2013 board meeting at Elgin Community College. Donnie makes motion to accept the minutes with one change, Bill seconds. Board Votes 7-0 to accept the minutes.

Retirees Update – Steve Mangione

Steve was not in attendance but did submit a written report. Steve stated that the total number of retirees has grown to 36 members.

Steve added that he would like to see a reduced symposium rate for retired members. The board agreed that we would continue to offer all retired members a reduced rate to be the same as the partners program.

Steve also inquired about getting photos of all of our members to be used on the website and to have for future record. The board will make an effort to get these photos from our members. Any members that neglect to send us photos might find a photo of Robbie Rogers in their place.

The board also agreed that they would notify Steve when we find out when members retire.

Steve also stated that he did publish an after the symposium newsletter this year because he did not attend and could not get any photos from the symposium. Because of that he will publish an expanded winter edition.

Website – Glenn Carpenter

Glenn states that the website has been running well without a lot of problems. Donnie adds that our website does not work well with Internet explorer. We will have Michael Aikens look into this and collect all the problems. Glenn also added that in the past Michael was on a monthly

retainer for work on the website. Glenn asked for a motion to extend another 1-year contract to Michael for \$1800. Nick made the motion and Bill seconded it. Board votes 7-0. Motion passes.

Monthly Image Competition – Jay Ferchaud

Jay states that numbers continue to improve. September numbers were at 400 entries. Jay is working with Kevin Paxman to make improvements to the MIC website based on member suggestions. Improvements to be made are larger images, better tabulation of scores and print your own certificates. Jay also brought up that Think Tank continues to be a great sponsor of the MIC. Think Tank has also offered UPAA a support program. All members that buy from Think Tank directly, Think Tank will donate a portion of the sales to UPAA. Caroline made a motion that we accept this program. Nick seconds. Board votes 7-0 in favor of accepting this program.

Print Competition

Glenn states that we need to make a conscious effort to make sure all prints are in the right category. We also need to make sure that we have a consistent numbering pattern. Glenn also states that we need to move the entry deadline to the Wednesday before the Symposium. Caroline will get a hold of Trice Megginson and give him particulars about the exhibition space. The board also discussed adding more categories to the competition. The board agreed that we should continue to keep it at 9 categories.

Contact Sheet – Glenn Carpenter

Glenn states the fall issue will be mailed shortly. There will be three issues this year. The winter issue will have a review on both the Nikon and Canon 200-400 lenses. The photo staff at the University of Michigan will do this article.

Member surveys – Nick Romanenko

Symposium surveys was sent out to board members and will be used by Caroline in planning the 2014 symposium. Nick also states that the next salary survey is right around the corner. We will also be using survey monkey to determine the master of the profession award and the multimedia competition.

Membership – Donny Crowe

Donnie states that we continue to bring in new members and we will continue to do what we can to bring in more. The board agrees that we need to do more to get the word out on UPAA. Donnie, Robert and Caroline will work together to contact other institutions to recruit members.

Annual Book – Bill Bitzinger

Bill states that he is working on the new book. Bill will put out a post to get all non-winners to submit images to the book.

Incorporation and Insurance – Glenn Carpenter

An incorporation services company has been hired to take care of all the paperwork we need to do for all the states we do business in. Glenn also states that our new incorporation insurance protects all of our members, officers and directors.

Member Concerns – Mark Carriveau

The board talked about the possibilities of videotaping and streaming symposium lectures and presentations over the web for members that can't make the symposium.

Mark makes motion that we adjourn for lunch, Robert seconds.
Motion passed 7-0 Adjourned for lunch at 12:47 pm

Re adjourned at 2:36pm

Corporate Relations – Caroline Summers

Caroline says she plans on having all the same sponsors as we did last year. She is also working with Epson, HP and Lexmark to donate printers for the symposium. Caroline is also going to ask all of our sponsors if they would like to feature a product of the month on our facebook page. She will also follow up with some of our major prize winners to see if they would like to give feedback on the products that they won. Caroline will also contact past sponsors that have fallen off over the last few years to see if they would like to come back as sponsors again. She will also be contacting Extensis about being the official DAM of UPAA. Glenn congratulates Caroline on a job well done for her first year as corporate relations chair.

Symposium Site Selection – Jay Ferchaud

Caroline is all set for 2014 and will report later. Glenn states that the University of Michigan is already working on putting their program together for 2015. They are also searching for cheaper hotel options and dorm rooms.

Future sites

2014 Samford University

2015 University of Michigan

2016 University of Virginia

2017 Baylor University

2018 Auburn University – Key West, Fl

2019 Wake Forest University

2020 Austin Peay University

Symposium 2014

Caroline handed out the schedule and everything looks great. Caroline is looking for locations for Canon and Nikon. Robert will head the critique panel again this year. Caroline will also be contacting members to participate in the on assignment triple play. She will let us know later what members have been committed. The board also went over the menu and helped Caroline finalize it. The board also was able to see a preview of the conference logo. The spouse program is also set.

President's Report- Glenn Carpenter

Glenn states that we need to be more ready for the business meeting. The board secretary will be in charge of soliciting the membership looking for nominations and members that are interested in running for the board. Members wishing to run for the board will need to submit a bio on themselves to the symposium host before the symposium. These bios will become part of the registration materials.

Treasurer Report – Nick Romanenko

Nick hands out his report for the board to review. Nick states that our finances are in good order. He also stated that we had more expenses last year than we normally do. The Elgin symposium pulled a nice profit, which helped offset the extra expenditures.

Secretary Report – Mark Carriveau

Mark thanked Nick for his extra help in taking over his secretarial duties at the symposium while he was attending to symposium business. Mark then presented Nick a gift to show his appreciation.

Mid year Meeting 2014

The University of Michigan has offered to host the board of directors for the 2014 mid year meeting. The board agreed to accept their invitation.

Board elections

2014 – Robert Jordan and Mark Carriveau

2015 – Nick Romenenko and Jay Ferchaud

2016 - Glenn Carpenter and Caroline Summers

2017 – Bill Bitzinger and Melissa Humble

Officer elections

Mark makes a motion that we nominate all current officers to remain in their current positions, Donny seconds. Board votes 7-0 to keep all officers in their current positions.

President – Glenn Carpenter

Vice President – Robert Jordan

Treasurer – Nick Romanenko

Secretary – Mark Carriveau

Bill makes motion to adjourn, Nick seconds. Board votes 7-0 to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 5:41