

September 27, 2016

## SCCC Club Meeting Minutes

President Kevin Smith called the September 8, 2016 club meeting to order and introduced new members and guests.

He then asked Dr Barbara-Anne Huculak to discuss the Art Center display, schedule for September 24 through November 27. The theme this year is "Street Stories," and she asked club members to forward their pictures to be included to her.

Next, Kevin called upon Doug Conrad to present information regarding the board's and the By-laws committee's recommendations for changes to the club's Constitution and its By-laws. These proposed changes were distributed to club members prior to the club meeting. During the ensuing discussion, club members expressed a preference that the proposed fifth board member should be elected rather than appointed by the president. Doug agreed to meet again with the By-laws committee to incorporate this change and planned to submit the amended documents for club approval at the October business meeting.

Doug also presented the board's recommendations for changes to the monthly club competitions. These recommendations were outlined in the board meeting minutes distributed to club members prior to the business meeting date. While members expressed sympathy for the desire to parallel the N4C competition procedures, there was concern about these changes expressed by club members. Some felt that the additional categories and corresponding limits would pose a hardship on members who don't take pictures that meet those requirements. The counter to that argument was that it might encourage members to broaden their scope. Another concern was that the changes might make the club's monthly judging process more difficult and time consuming. Members agreed that the October meeting program slot should be dedicated to taking up this topic in greater detail.

Club vice president Tom Schoening presented ideas for club field trips. One of the ideas was to take a trip to the studios of Pat James, the photographer who presented at the club's award banquet last May. The second idea was a trip to the Loess Hills near Missouri Valley where a "wild west cowboy shooting club" would pose for pictures in old west costumes. The club membership expressed a preference for the second option.

Larry Crabb noted that support for the old club website is up for renewal in February, and said that a two-year renewal would cost the club \$6.50 per month. That old site is primarily used today for its email capabilities. Doug Conrad mentioned that he had looked into an alternative, free email provider. Club members expressed concern that sufficient storage should be available to handle the digital submissions for the club competitions.

The View and Review topic was "energy." Ron Nicolls, Tom Schoening, and Nick Mausuen each presented photographs on that topic.

The club next broke for treats and refreshments, which were provided by Scotti Poskevich.

Doug Conrad put on the evening's program. It consisted of a video of the 2015 submissions and winners of the PSA's Council Challenge.

The club's next meeting will be September 29th.

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Wright  
Secretary/Treasurer