CAG Meeting Notes Oct 11, 2023

Attendees: Brandon Lipe, Maile Oswagara, Pat Alger, Mary Ellen Brownell, Julie Dandliker, Bill Schaaf, Mona Moxley, Bette Sindzinski, Florence McAuley, Barbara Moreland, MaryLeigh Miller

Maile Update

Holiday handcrafted sale – Zoom for vendors provided as support for artists, especially those selling for the first time. Everything is on schedule – postcards, posters, etc. W-9 info needs to be submitted. Old ones can be used.

Brandon Update

The new kiln is in the door! Jeff coming November 6 to install kiln. After testing and fine tuning, the kiln should be good to go for next quarter.

Raku kiln – expected at the end of October. The warming kiln will still use propane, so current propane levels will be OK.

Intercession classes – talking to instructor's now to determine offerings

Chili bowl event – November 4 11:00-2:00 in the assembly hall. Only 20 tickets have been sold so far. 150 bowls are ready with 200 to be expected by the date of the event. Only seven people helped making the bowls. Brandon would like to see many more participate in events like this. Bedford gallery – no new information at this time. Teamed up with galleries. See AG can loan items from their collection and potentially do a pop-up sale as well.

Brandon and Karen have been brainstorming what to do to benefit the studio. Brandon will announce only once he's sure he can commit to it. Perhaps raising bag or size limits.

Pat Update

127 CAG members including 24 new this year

CAG held a teacher appreciation luncheon – a very nice lunch, prepared by Erika's husband, allowed teachers to gather and connect with each other. Two or three teachers were unable to make it.

Meals on wheels (Barbara)

They are currently oversaturated with pieces. Some pieces might be used for the kids sale at the holiday handcrafted sale.

Empty bowls (Mona)

The event is this Saturday. Mona, Erika and Bette are attending. Based on the success of the event, we will determine if we do it again next year.

VP/Pres (Mary, Ellen Brownell) - MEB is stepping back from role on CAG. She will not put in for the president role.

Newsletter (Mary-Leigh Miller) – next newsletter is TBD, maybe end of quarter.

Potential pop-up sale at the chili bowl event.

Finance (Bill) – with new membership, we have a few extra thousand dollars which leaves potential for more studio improvements.