

CAG Board Meeting

August 7th 2026

Attendees: Erika Goldstein, Mary Leigh Miller, Nicole Collins, Marina Xavier, Julie Dandliker, Bette Sindzinski, Barbara Moreland, Brandon Lipe

Membership

- Membership registration has gone smoothly, with **128 members signed up to date.**
- Erika will review the numbers to determine how best to manage **summer CAG sign-ups**, as class registration is not currently aligning with CAG membership registration. Will revisit in September
 - After looking at this and consulting, it was determined to leave the membership renewal as current process.
- Options to consider:
 - Lowering the summer membership price
 - Combining spring and summer membership
 - Moving the fall membership date

Trunk or Treat: Friday October 23, 2026

- The Board voted **not to have people throw items** at the event.
- A table near the clay studio was approved to display:
 - Finished bowls
 - QR code
 - Flyers promoting the Chili Bowl Fundraiser
- Community Arts has also requested volunteers for other areas of the event. **Mona will send a request to all members.**
- The studio will be closed for the event.

Chili Bowl Fundraiser

- There are **145 bowls remaining from last year.**
- Brandon would like approximately **300 bowls total** so there is enough inventory to avoid running out and to offer a variety of styles.
- The fundraiser date has changed from **November 21 to November 14, 2026.**
- Time remains **11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.**
- Brandon would like to continue scheduling the fundraiser on the **last day of classes.**
- **220 tickets** were sold last year.
- Ticket price remains **\$25.**
- A CAG sale again will also be held during the event. Pat will send information about the sale in September.

Holiday Handcrafted Sale

- **December 5–7, 2026**
- Applications are currently open through **August 31, 2026.**
- Community Arts will not allow additional sellers to qualify if they do not submit their initial paperwork by the deadline.
- Sellers must also either:
 - Attend the live Zoom meeting on **September 30, 2026**, or
 - Watch the meeting recording.
- Some topics that will be covered at the meeting will include:
 - Set-up and tear-down guidelines

- Appropriate behavior during the sale (no eating, reading, etc.)
- Not pressuring customers to purchase
- Table displays

Kids' Room At HHS

- CAG is requesting **high-quality finished donations** for the Kids' Room.
- Items will be priced from **\$1–\$15**.
- Pat will send an email requesting donations.
- CAG members who are selling at the Holiday Handcrafted Sale must work **one one-hour shift** in the Kids' Room.
- Once the list of participating CAG members is available, Pat and Erika will assign shifts.
- Erika and Michael will handle set-up and tear-down.
- The Kids' Room will close **30 minutes early on Sunday**

CAG Posters

- Pat requested that the CAG posters be redesigned.
- The Board voted to include **new photographs**.
- Once the photos are selected, permission will be obtained from anyone pictured before the posters are displayed in the studio.
- Pat will work with Mary Leigh on the lamination process.

Studio Window

- Stella completed the current window display. Excellent job!
- The **next window display will feature Chili Bowls**.

Front Door

- The front door has not yet been repaired.
- Brandon noted that this issue tends to occur this time of year due to weather.
- A work order has been submitted.

Stools

- Members have asked about purchasing additional stools, both padded and unpadded.
- Brandon said Community Arts will not fund additional stools.
- CAG can research pricing and discuss options with Brandon, keeping the studio's limited space in mind.
- Brandon also recommended inexpensive padded stool covers as an alternative.
- CAG may consider purchasing covers.
- **This issue is Tabled for the next meeting.**

Tools / Zelle Payments

- A **Zelle QR code** is now available for members who want to purchase tools but do not have cash.
- Payments will go through the Treasurer's email and into the CAG checking account.
- Julie set up the system.
- Brandon will notify instructors about the new payment option.
- Instructors should monitor the process and ensure that members use it only for tool purchases; **clay cannot be purchased through this system.**

- Cash payments for tools are still accepted.
- **Perhaps Mona may send an email to members announcing the new payment option?**

Brandon / Studio Updates

- The studio experienced a power outage on **August 3**.
- Brandon had difficulty sending emails and will review all dates in previously sent communications. Corrections will be sent if needed.
- Class registration has otherwise gone smoothly.
- The Glaze Class had been scheduled for **2025**, so registration never opened. It has now been corrected and is open for registration.
- The Master Potter class was originally set for **20 participants instead of 40** and has been corrected.

Family Art Day

- Family Art Day will now be held **only in the spring**.
- Summer sessions are too hot to hold comfortably.
- Volunteers will be requested when the next event approaches.

Teen Art Night

- Organizers are working with the new team/commission.
- Nothing is currently being planned.

Makeup Classes

- There will be **five makeup classes at the end of the current quarter**.

Budget: overview will be deferred to September meeting

- Julie stated that only pressing issue is there is \$350 that she needs to for some filings and there is only \$80 under the line item in the budget. She said that Pat, Bridget nor Mona knew what line item it went under. We had a vote to increase the line item if necessary. Barbara set the motion, Bette second. All agreed. Julie to touch base with Mona to see next steps

Teacher Acquisitions: Ed Blackburn

- Ed is making a piece for the CAG collection. It is a tile with a lot of techniques on it. His original piece could not be found and this new piece has been budgeted for.

Clean up: is September 5th. Email has been sent. We are full.

Future registration

- Brandon will ask Community Arts about releasing future registration dates. Folks are interested in having dates for planning, however, dates change.