Minutes

 Docent Advisory Board

 January 28, 2019

Attendance:

Naomi Kornman

Cheryl Kain

Carmen Leerstang

Peggy Patterson

Diane Finley

Connie Traub

Harvey Orth

Mike Boudreaux

Michelle D’Amour

Dianne Foster

Joy Mancuso

Tracy Kennan

The meeting was called to order at 12 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting on November 26 were read and approved as corrected.

Harvey raised the issue of competition between scheduled meetings, e.g. Study Group at same time/date as DAB. Tracy is aware of issue and has taken it up with principles involved, so problem not likely to continue.

Reports:

The Executive Committee (Cheryl, Michelle, Naomi) explained the procedure for the upcoming elections. Three slots are open: Chair Elect, Recording Secretary, and Member -at -Large.

The Day Captains reported tours are going great except for the frustrating problem of last minute cancellations and no-shows, something that is generally out of our control.

Adult Public Tours: No report. Comment made about Adult Tour Guides feeling lack of enough opportunities for tours. Tracy pointed out there are other opportunities to earn hours.

Mini Masters: No report.

Apprentice Docents: Harvey initiated discussion regarding best way for apprentices to transition to docents, and what is an appropriate period of time to apprentice.

Small Talks: Tracy commented that these are going great, including those given at training today, and general agreement was in favor of scheduling more.

Treasurer/Sunshine Fund: Joy reported cards were sent to Peggy Patterson (Many Thanks!) and Jerry Stroup and money continues to be collected. Current balance is $235.

Members-at-Large/Docent Outings: Diane Finley suggested visit to M.S. Rau to see Sea to Shining Sea Exhibit, which will be on display from April 6 to June 8.

PIE & Research: Carmen reported good turnout for recent PIE topics of “Nudity” and “Creative Touring Ideas” and good turnout is expected for February 25 PIE topic “Mythology.” Carmen reported for the Research Group that the January meeting on glass history and process was well attended and helped make tours more interesting.

New Business:

 The Arty Party is scheduled for April 5. Dianne Chesson is again in charge of refreshments (Martins Wine Cellar) . Reminder that timely RSVP’s are important for fiscal planning purposes.

The Docent Station has been working out well – it also functions as a Lost & Found.

Gabrielle Wyrick, Deputy Director for Learning and Engagement, will be guest speaker at our next meeting on February 18.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Patterson

Recording Secretary