

**VAST Executive Committee Meeting  
February 2004**

1. President Jo Williams called the meeting to order.

Present: Jo Williams, Ingrid Scobie, Ruth Keefer, Donna Lewis, Alice Miller, Judy Uebelacker, Nancy Donley, Fran Shurtleff, Vidya Kagal, Beverly Sipos and Joan Hart.

2. Williams asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 2004 meeting after retracting an error that Nancy Donley volunteered to assist in the High School Art Competition. Motion made by Donley and seconded by Donna Lewis. Joan Hart substituted for Acting Secretary Mary S. Morris.

3. Treasurer Nancy Donley reported checking account balance of \$5,568.89, CD \$5,390.67 for a total of \$10,959.56.

4. Report from Ruth Keefer-

A) Program Chair Ruth Keefer discussed the need to revise the Workshop Policy. Williams proposed a standard \$50 non-refundable deposit to VAST for all future workshops placing the responsibility on participants to either contact that particular workshop waiting list or find own substitute for refund and to transfer spot. Motion made by Sipos and seconded by Judy Uebelacker and passed by "Yes" vote of all present.

B) Keefer plans to e-mail a revised Workshop Policy.

C) Keefer reported that there are 2 open slots for the Sharon Zimmerman Workshop, June 10, 11, and 12, which has been arranged by Beverly Sipos. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fee is \$125 with \$65 deposit on registration.

5. Second Vice President Donna Lewis was requested by Williams to investigate different possibilities and places for VAST members to exhibit art. Williams suggested perhaps renting space at the Visual Art League of Lewisville or get Denton merchants to sponsor an annual gallery walk. Lewis said she will bring ideas to next meeting.

6. Membership Chair Vidya Kagal reported that there are 15 new members since the December General Meeting.

7. Spring Exhibition Chair Deanna Wood was absent.

8. Webmaster Beverly Sipos discussed leaving the website address as NTAAL. Williams said, "For the record I would like to change it." A vote was taken which resulted in leaving the website address as nataal.org for the present. After much discussion Williams said, "Let's table it for now." Fran Shurtleff motioned this and Donley seconded the motion.

9. Report from Ingrid Scobie

A) Executive Director Ingrid Scobie indicated she was continuing to work on the 501c3 application. She also clarified questions relating to mailing with our own non-profit number. Once we receive this number for VAST from the post office, we can either pay a \$150 set-up fee (one-time) and an annual fee of \$150 or use a mailing service with our non-profit rate. She indicated she had discussed the mechanics of a mailing service with North Texas Mailing Service. They will allow us to use their permit with a much-reduced non-profit rate, saving us bulk mailing time and perhaps a little money.

B) Scobie brought in bids for and samples of calendars from several different printing businesses and passed them around. It was approved at the last meeting that we would print a calendar with 13 images of members' artwork. The calendar would be used as a fundraiser. A juror will select the winning images. More details will be worked on at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Joan Hart, substituting for acting Secretary Mary S. Morris.