

Fiber Dimension Minutes 14 November 2018

Host: Ursula Pedersen

Chair: Susan Doyle

Secretary: Alex

Attending: Marie Bergstedt, Myrna Tater, Alex Friedman, Emily Dvorin, Pam Leith, Susan Heller, Diane Keevan, Cynthia Jensen, Phyllis Thelen, Beth Hartman, Melissa Woodburn, Rosemarie Ginsburg, Carol Durham, Duane FitzGerald, Sheila Tuffanelli, Laurel Shackelford, Marcia Kent, Chris Motley, Susan Doyle, Ursula Pedersen.

The treasurer reported \$3693.68 in the bank. We made a donation of \$350 to the Pence Gallery to cover the postcard production. We were asked by Marin Open Studios to make a donation but decided not to since we don't benefit as a group. There was a question about making a gift in Ventana's memory. It was voted that we will not donate as a group but individuals are welcome to donate. Her requested charities are www.Noetics.org **and** Best Friends Animal Society in Utah. (www.BestFriends.org)

Critiques:

Alex showed her new piece "Dis-charge," a tapestry weaving embellished with a lot of cut up credit cards. The general thought was to add a little more to better integrate the piece. Maybe a random row, the way the edge of the tide leaves debris on the beach.

Susan Heller brought a multiarmed 'Sea Anemone' piece that is stuffed fabric and quilted and mounted on a small round base. The main comment was that she should make more!!

Phyllis brought a paper piece made of interwoven strips of blue randomly painted paper. They were assembled in quilt form. Suggestions were to add wax or to add hand sewn stitches. Sewing paper is hard so the suggestion was to pierce holes first and then sew lines around the squares or curves in the way an ocean flows. She is hoping this will be a new direction.

Chris Motley brought a huge red piece called 'Confusion' made with I cords and felted wool. It was very busy with many different long red elements and meant to drape to the floor.

Susan Doyle had an art retreat in Skopelus, Greece. She embroidered a map of the village with its numerous churches, houses and olive trees on kozo paper. Both the

front and back are wonderful to look at. Can it hang to expose both sides? Does it need more around the edges? Could it have fold lines the way a paper map has?

Old Business.

Melissa updated us on the plans for the Pence show. Delivery day is Sunday 12/2 and Monday 12/3. Be sure your paperwork is included and any installation notes. Acceptance chart is attached. Please answer Natalie's questions by your name if you have not already.

Sunday Drivers to deliver work are: Marcia/ Judy, Bernadette/Susan H, Deble or Beth from North Bay. Please make your arrangements and don't forget your contract.

Each person can have 35 postcards (which look great!! Thank you)

She encouraged we become members for \$45/year. There are other shows to enter. Reception is on the 14th Carpooling is suggested. Marie suggested staying over. There are lots of motels in town. Lots of galleries/shops to explore, it is a college town. Also the train is a possibility as the Davis station is an easy walk to downtown. Diane is planning to drive so check with her if you want a ride.

Beth noticed that many recent minutes are missing from the FD website. Please send them to Bobby Acker so they can be added on. Also Please read the minutes. There is a lot of information there to answer your questions.

Melissa has been in contact with Kathryn Grothe about the upcoming show in Chico at the MONCA (monca.org). We decided to go with the OCT 3 – November 24 dates as it overlaps with their ARToberfest events. Kathy can be the liaison with the museum but needs help with all the aspects of the show. We need more information about the jury process and installation before we can really help but there are a few volunteers so far:

Reception - Pamela, Susan D,

Postcards- Beth , Jennifer ? and Deble ?

If there is jurying -Emily and Myrna offered to help

The Fiber Dimension group would like to thank Kathy for organizing this possibility for FD to show in a new venue to a new audience. It should be an exciting opportunity.

New Business

Sheila is clearing her house and has a car trunkful of bullets -Carol wants; Beads, cloth scraps and Yarn. At home she has boxes of seashells. Please be in touch if you want any.

Chris Motley wanted us to know about Surface Design which is a national organization. There is a Northern California section with quarterly meetings and talks. They have a great magazine and offer shows. SDA.org.

We wanted to thank the EDGE group members who arranged for such a lovely heartfelt celebration for the life of Ventana. The video too was a wonderful memory for those who did not come.

Announcements:

Rosemarie has work in an art sale at Congregation Beth Israel, 1630 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. November 18 from 11am to 4pm

Melissa is in the TINY show at the Studio Gallery, 1641 Pacific Ave (bet Polk and Van Ness). Nov 8 – Dec 23 11-6pm. See studiogalleriesf.com

Alex, Emily and Judy C will be participating in the Winter Open Studio at the ICB, 480 Gate 5 Road, Sausalito. Nov 30, Dec 1-2 from 11-6pm. See icb-artists.com

Carol's work is included at the 'Small Works Show' at Artworks Downtown, 4th St San Rafael. Nov 16- December 22. Reception Nov 14 5-8pm

Marie is in the Marin MOCA Show, 'Memory and Perception,' Nov 17 – Dec 23. Opening night is Nov 17 at 4:30- 7pm

Emily has a new website: check it out. www.Emilydvorin.com

Chris is teaching knitting at a homeless shelter and needs yarn. All kinds are acceptable.

Jennifer Sohn's show »Brerhern: Fiber Art Stories of Downtrodden Tribes« is extended until Sunday after Thanksgiving 11/25/18. The gallery is open from 9am to 9 pm everyday except Thanksgiving Day and Friday 11/23/18. It will be open for the next two weekends. The show is in Sonoma Community Center 276 E Napa Street, Sonoma.

Next Meeting is **January 9** at Regula's. Laurel is Chair and Rosemarie is Secretary.

--→ SOMETHING NEW

Due to terrible East Bay commuter traffic next month we will come at 10:00 and the **meeting will start at 10:30**. We are going to try this to see if this helps the East Bay members.