New Hampshire Potters Guild October 28, 2018 Minutes

In Attendance:

Lori Rollason, Claire Provencheur, Bonnie Hoyt, Steve, Linda Fletcher, Kathy Kriegel, Lil Bailey, Andy Hampton, Christian Slater, Al Jaeger, Hannah, Lee Ustinich, Mim Hampton, Lauren von Duyke-Dadmun, Hiromi Satoh

The October, 2018, Potters Guild Meeting was hosted by Andy Hampton at his home and Studio in Chichester, NH. Prior to and during the meeting, Andy also offered a Raku Firing workshop opportunity. Before the general meeting began the Potters Guild board of officers met.

The minutes from the August 8, 2018 meeting and the treasurer's report were accepted.

Website-

The NHPG website is up and running. Members are requested to create a page for their work with links to their websites or social media.

There was discussion about the inclusion of "Classified Ads" on the website and/or in the News Letter. Lori is investigating the feasibility of this. The general feeling was that this would not be favorable.

Community Kiln-

Andy Hampton reported on the recent donation of bricks, shelves, soaps, steel, and aluminum by Paul Haigh. Paul is relocating to North Carolina and will be building a new kiln there. Andy Hampton, Lydia Grey, Wendy Jackson, Hiromi Satoh, and Lauren vonDuyke-Dadmun dismantled Paul's kiln, transported the bricks, shelves, soaps, and metal to Al Jaeger's property in Deerfield, NH, and stacked the materials to be used to maintain or rebuild Community Kiln. Included in the donation were 800 hard bricks and 800 soft bricks. The kiln committee will be developing a five year plan for the Community Kiln.

Andy proposed a wood firing workshop.

The kiln committee plans to get the next load of wood in April. Plans are underway for three firings, Spring, Summer, and Fall.

Biennial Exhibit-

Bonnie Hoyt reported on a number of venues that the exhibition committee has been exploring. Themes and exhibit titles were discussed. Liz Fletcher has been working Bonnie on this. The exhibit will take place in 2019.

Scholarship Committee-

Plans are underway to review and update the current scholarship application process. The committee reported no progress at this date. Ideas for generating money to fund scholarships were discussed.

Empty Bowls-

Linda Fletcher reported another highly successful Empty Bowls Meal in conjunction with Brookside Church, New Horizons, and the NH Food Bank. Each year potters from the Guild donate hundreds of bowls to support this effort. This year, patrons were able to purchase tickets in advance of the meal/event. This greatly increased efficiency and revenue.

Nominating Committee

A nominating committee is being formed to prepare for the election (or re-election) of the Chair and Vice-chair of the Potters Guild. These terms of office are up in March 2019.

January Meeting-

The January meeting (the Guild's Public Meeting) will take place at the Currier Museum of Art, Art Center. Date to be determined.

The business portion of the meeting ended and the meeting continued with a shared pot luck meal and more Raku firing. Thank you Andy and Mim Hampton for hosting us!

submitted- Lauren von Duyke-Dadmun, NHPG Secretary