

FIRE & RAIN MINUTES  
JUNE 10, 2012

Stacy Frost, President, called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.

**1. Board Reports & Announcements:**

**a. President's Report (Stacy Frost)**

JOURNEY and POSTCARD PROJECTS – This will be an ISGB book that can be purchased on demand. Anyone can buy a full or half page. Chapters can have two pages. Fire and Rain will participate.

Postcard and Journey bead submissions were photographed and the same will be used for both (ISGB members only)

**b. Treasurer's Report (Ellen Harbison)**

Most dues were paid in Dec. \$1140 collected for 2012, but only \$540 of that was this year. We paid \$95 for our Journey entry, lost check replacement (bead bazaar), post office box and office supplies. Our checking account balance is \$4384. Some expenses are coming, including a second table for the Gathering Bead Bazaar, challenge prizes and supplies. Ellen has financial reports if anyone wants to see them. We have 56 members. Dues show on the reports as of the deposit date, not the payment date.

NWBS BEAD BAZAAR – Debbie Zook has agreed to chair the bazaar. Fire and Rain will participate again. It'll be the last weekend in Sept. We should be able to get the same spot. We sold \$6100 last year.

**c. Membership Report (Donna Prunkard)**

We have 56 member. For participation in the Gathering Bead Bazaar at the chapter table, renewing members must have paid their dues by Feb. 29.

**d. Event Coordinators (Cheryl Matson and Leslie Thiel)**

Possible options for the August meeting location were discussed. At today's meeting we will do the bead exchange and each person will discuss their most used 3 tools.

**e. ISGB Report (Laura Bowker)**

Pilchuck was awesome. They want us back and may be willing to include Friday night dinner. They sent a survey to Laura and she will send it out to everyone.

## **2. The Gathering Update**

- a. Stacy has received approximately 15 postcards and brought some for viewing. Please submit 200 of your card. They are due to Stacy on June 30<sup>th</sup>. A postcard stuffing party will be scheduled after the deadline if a large number of cards come in.
- b. Laura reported on the community project. The theme is “all things bright and beautiful” and the deadline is June 30. Beads go to Kendra. There is no fee.
- c. Laura and Sarah will chair the Fire and Rain bead bazaar table at the Gathering. A straw poll was taken re members interested in participating and it was determined that we should get a second table. We get one for being the host chapter and can purchase a second one. Participants at the table must work a shift and pay a portion of the table fee.
- d. Cheryl is assisting with the live auction. Please give her any donation leads or donations from yourself. The auction will take place after the banquet on Saturday night.
- e. Donna, Felicia and Ellen are co-chairing the silent auction. Donna reported that it has a lower limit than the live auction (\$10-20) and goes up to the lower limit of the live auction. It will take place on Friday and have 3 closing times. Beads, bead sets, new tools, etc. are suggested items. Last year, painted aprons did very well. Deadline for item submission to Donna is June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- f. Dan Adams reported on the 3x2 project and brought finished pieces for us to see. Cynthia's at home today waiting for metalsmiths to drop them off. The show will be open at Facere on 7/27/12, 4:00-7:00. The Seattle Metals Guild has a few pictures up on their facebook page. A future event is under consideration that would involve an in-person meeting and collaboration between local beadmakers and metalsmiths.
- g. Video Project deadline has passed. Anyone who is interested, can check to see if submissions will still be accepted. The photos are shown between demos and will be on the website after the Gathering.

3. Bead Exchange took place.
4. Challenges – voting took place on the shard beads. Congratulations to the winner, Lara Lutrick. She won a button mandrel. The next challenge will be a no-shank button with two holes or more. They must be made with mandrels, not by poking holes with a tungsten.
5. Announcements
  - Glassline magazine has a “small and beautiful” issue out. Laura Bowker is in it as one of the top 40 international bead makers.
  - Paul Stankard exhibit is at the Museum of Glass right now.
  - Kathy Johnson is looking for help with the release a bead project for the Gathering. Email her at [thehorselady@gmail.com](mailto:thehorselady@gmail.com). There’s a form to put with the bead in a baggie and then you leave it somewhere. The more the better to raise awareness and sales. Donna will email out the form.