



CAMERA CLUB *of* BREVARD

Executive Board Minutes  
May 11, 2017

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Attendees:

John Buck - President  
Don Martin - VP Programs – not present  
Richard Thomson - Public Relations  
Judy Pastore – Treasurer  
Marsha Sea – Membership – not present  
Chuck Palmer – Secretary – not present  
George Campbell, Ann Bernick, Nancy Williamson, Mike & Debby Hamilton, Rob Scharpf, Eliane Closset, Charlie Dodds, Gary Christensen

Minutes were approved from the April Meeting.

\* Items discussed in this meeting. Other items are left in the minutes for reference for future actions.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

\*\*“Capture Brevard” project – Contacted Eric Garvey with the Florida Space Coast Office of Tourism. Eric was very receptive. John and Richard will be meeting with Eric to discuss possibilities having to do with the Club’s “Capture Brevard” project.

The Fifth Avenue Gallery is also willing to display up to 30 of the “Capture Brevard” photos in the Gallery. The Club would like the Gallery will pick out (judge) the ~30 photos to be displayed. There will be an opening event for the showing. The prints will be for sale. Print owner will determine price.

Would like all the prints framed the same and the same size (16”x 20”). Will discuss receiving “good deals” with Ralph’s Art Supply for the framing and Sterling Photo for printing.

\*Club Calling Card handouts – John received a quote of \$55.00 for 250 cards.

By Laws – Discussion was tabled at this meeting due to several of the By Laws Committee members unable to attend this month. Updates completed. Committee met twice recently. Final draft of by-laws is now complete. They were reorganized and

wording changed in some areas. Changes were made to enable changes such as membership dues to be accomplished with the Executive Board instead of updating the by-laws. Changes were made to reflect how we currently operate the club with board members and directors. We will need to get our membership to vote... simple majority needed to approve. We will introduce to the membership through an email. Ann pointed out that we need to remove the reference to a student membership which is no longer available.

\*Email List – John read out the names of the 2016 members who did not renew in 2017 to see if anyone knew their statuses. A reminder email will be sent to the past members.

Monthly Meetings – John discussed the possibility of splitting competition meetings and speaker meetings each month. The suggestion was to hold two meetings. One meeting for Speaker and Social Time. Then another meeting for Competitions and Social Time. Suggestions included logistics issues with the meeting room, snacks, not too many people would attend two meetings. We decided to table the idea to conduct two meetings. However, we are going to try to hold a special meeting . . . 2-4 times per year to share and critique favorite photos. . . see workshops.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

\*“Info” emails – Discussed the large amount of emails we receive to the “info” address. John suggested that anyone that feels comfortable answering an “info” email should do so, but please copy everyone so everyone knows that someone from the Club has replied to the email.

\*Board meetings will be held the same week as the general meeting in July and November. Need to start communicating change in July meeting date.

\*There will be no July Member Spotlight.

Workshops:

- Arnold Dubin, Workshop Committee leader, reviewed the planned future workshops. A few are already scheduled. Committee includes Arnold, Chuck, John, and Don.

Future Workshops:

\*– Making Great Pictures – The Fundamentals of Remarkable Photography – Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Melbourne Library – 9:00-11:00am.

- Travel Photography (TBS)

- Intentional Photo Editing with Lightroom – Chuck (TBS)

- Bird Photography – Arnold (TBS)

\*- Seeing is Believing – Photo Walk – John Buck – John will show participants how to see many photos for one subject – Saturday, August 12th

- Capture Brevard Workshop – Chuck (TBS)
- Nighttime Photography Workshop – Don will conduct this workshop in the November timeframe at the Space Coast State Fair.

\*- Photo Sharing/Critiques – Richard checked with Doubles Hoagies about using their meeting room for critique nights. They would offer a limited buffet meal (e.g., taco bar) for \$150.00, which would include the room rental.

In lieu of, or in addition to having “separate” critique nights, it was decided to have a critique night for the July general meeting since we do not have a speaker scheduled. It was requested just board members and regular board meeting attendees send in the photos to be critiqued. It was very confusing as to whether these were to be photos taken by the attendees or photos from other sources?? Hopefully, this will be clarified soon.

It was suggested to have things set up so real time editing, using LR, could be completed to the selected photos during the program.

Richard talked about the criteria for critiquing photos, which is separate from just photo editing.

## REPORTS

VP PROGRAMS - Don Martin –planned speakers. Not present this month.

May 2, 2017	Nathan Adams Water Photography And Beyond
June 6, 2017	Jen Glass – Local Photographer
*July 11, 2017	Photo Critique Night - See Workshops
August 1, 2017	Sam Fried - Travelogue, Wildlife
September 5	Open --- Group Workshops - Discussions
October	Capture Brevard
November	Tim Holle, Sports
December	APC

We had a long discussion on how to organize the planned Group Workshop/Discussion meeting. Some of the ideas... critiques; fun themes; discuss questions; small group leaders. Don will try to fill either the July or September meeting with a speaker. We will then plan on the Small Group Discussion meeting on the open month.

\*FIELD TRIPS – Denise was not at this meeting. John spoke to her on the phone. There is a field trip scheduled for Thursday, June 1, at 8:30am at McKee Gardens.

She is looking at bus costs. Several possibilities are being looked at for the future. Target date for next field trip is end of October. Denise is researching a trip to Morikami Japanese Garden and the Village of Stuart for the bus trip.

\*TREASURER – Judy Pastore - Balance is \$4,725.08.

SECRETARY – Not present this month. Judy took minutes for this meeting.

\*MEMBERSHIP – Marsha Sea – Not at this meeting. Did mention in an email that Bob Creswick has volunteered to take over the Membership Chairperson position starting in June.

\*PR – Richard Thomson – Trying to set up tour of the Coast Guard Cutter coming to Port Canaveral, but can't seem to get connected to the right person to set this up...stayed tuned. Having same issue with communicating with the Olympus Visionary Program people.

Researched and suggested purchasing a new audio system for the Club. Cost would be ~\$240.00. Approved to go ahead and order.

\*COMPETITIONS - Nancy Williamson – Suggested having more “open” theme contests, as more members seem to participate those months. Nancy will start tracking number of entries submitted for monthly contests. A suggestion was given to make monthly themes more seasonal.

Can we look into donating unwanted monthly contest prints to organizations (e.g., hospitals, children's homes, senior centers, etc.).

Three people will participate in FCCC contest.

\*WEBMASTER – George Campbell – Requested that if anyone knew of any upcoming photo opportunities, to let him know ASAP, so he can put the info on the website.

Discussed PDF photo files – trying to make photos appear better

\*NEWSLETTER – Ann Bernick – John suggested the possibility of not including the winning contest photos in the f-stop since they are available to view on the website. Would help with reducing the size of the f-stop.