



To promote and support quality visual arts by educating and encouraging visual artists and their communities.

## February FMVA Board Meeting Minutes: February 16, 2015 Next Meeting March 16

**BOD Members Present:** Brenda Luthi, Sarah Dotzenrod, Chelsea Odden, McCal Joy, MeLissa Kossick, Mandel Mertz, Connie Reidman

**Not Present:** Annette Marchard

### Secretary:

January Minutes approved. Upload to website.

Executive Meeting at Family Fare canceled this week due to scheduling conflicts

### Treasurer:

Tax Prep: Get all FMVA help paid \$600+ info (address and SS#) on file

Budget: Expenditures review for 2015.

### Studio Crawl:

Postponed until March meeting

### Old Business:

1. Establish relationships with volunteers
2. Handbook-  
Google Drive. Download items from the drive, edit and upload, to prevent duplicates.
3. Images: Use person's name, event, date in the file name.

### New Business:

1. Visual Impaired Exhibit at Hjemkomst/ Contact: Jeff. Art that you can touch. Combine FMVA Constraint Show
2. New Show/ Exhibition spaces discussed: Luna on University, Atomic, Drekker: Possible exhibition space for Constraint Show November 2015.
3. Unglued Craft Fest (held in February each year at Plains):  
Apply for next year, in December 2015 for Feb 2016 Unglued (TShirts and memberships, etc)
4. Compensation to contractors: Move to discuss at the March Executive Board Meeting March 19.  
-Pay our contractors

### Committees:

1. **Constraint Show**  
Theme: Antiquity/ Classical timeless, perfection, harmony.  
Motion: McCal Joy, Seconded by Sarah Dotzenrod. Motion carries.
2. **Little Show (March 2):**  
Needs a slider on the website. Brenda asked Cody to create.  
Programming create a double-sided flier printed to promote Big Show & Constraint Show
3. **Art Workshops:**  
Must move the art workshops PayPal to the FMVA account instead of McCal  
Participants will have the option to enroll in only 1 of the Saturday workshops with John.
4. **Visual Talks:**  
April Artist Talk – Sara Brady  
February 26 – Eric Johnson  
Lecture budget 200
5. **Critiques:**  
Budget: \$50. Can be offered to the host studio person, or used for food/bev at event.

**6. Education:**

Art Education show will be at the Plains Center for Creativity (mid Sept?)  
Jescia Hopper meets with Becky Duhnam 2/20/15

**7. Membership:** Connie Riedman

Current Members:179

Past Membership numbers: October 2014- 170 October 2013 around 135

Directory: Connie Riedman and Brenda Luthi

Emailed all lapsed members. Create a directory Feb.

Word Press Database– pulling spreadsheets every month to double check any new issues.

Membership Brochure: Printed and at NDSU, Concordia and MSUM. Check every 2-3 weeks

**8. Communications:** Annette Marchand

All promotional items should be done 2 months in advance (website, newsletter, blog writing, pr)

Website: Email [Melissa.kossick@gmail.com](mailto:Melissa.kossick@gmail.com) for website updates

Newsletter: Send ALL info to [fmvanews@gmail.com](mailto:fmvanews@gmail.com) , details, write-up, photos, everything for that subject in one email. Info can be used for Facebook and also send to MeLissa for website.

Poster Locations: List in Program section in Handbook.

**9. Draw Ins:** Brenda Luthi

Stokers (below the HoDo) March 26. 6:30-7:00 social. 7:00 – Poetry reading and sketching. Artists will bring their sketchbooks and pencils.

Reader is Kevin Zepper – MSUM English professor and poet

Jescia Hopper motions to approve \$400 budget for Draw-Ins (3 events), Sarah Dotzenrod seconds. Motion carries.

**10. Website:**

Motion carries to continue to contract Jesse for additional work on the website

**11. Art Burn:** MeLissa Kossick

MeLissa will contact Maureen at Hjemkomst. Possible date: Second Tuesday in May (free night) May 12.

**12. Art Meet and Greet** – McCal Joy and Mandel Mertz

Ask Kaylyn Gerenz to set it up again?

**13. Holiday Art Sale:** Mandel Mertz

Date- Pangea (Hjemkomst) weekend in November 14&15

**Other Business:**

- Critiques- Change the names to create a less intimidating environment and increase attendance?
- Introduced the idea of increasing the number of Board members to 12.

Adjourned.