

Guelph Potters Guild Meeting February 26, 2018

In Attendance: Tonie (City of Guelph), Hilary, John, Lisa, Carol B, Eleanor, Juliet, Amanda, Teresa, Esther, Anita

Members met with Tonie from the City of Guelph to discuss the issues raised in the previous meeting regarding HST, division of monies etc.

From now on, HST will be added to the pottery price at the till. Potters will not be required to add/subtract such from their items. The City will do the tax on their end. Potters will receive 70% of the marked price.

The City does not want to change the percentage. The City received \$1054.85 from the Christmas sale. However, it cost \$1700 for the room, tables and chairs. That price does not include, set up, take down, advertising and staff. If there were any monies left over, it would have been put back into the centre. Victoria Road Recreation Centre was cheaper than City Hall because of staff was already on duty at the Centre.

Studio would be too small for the Christmas sale. They would be happy to help with a summer sale. Tents outside etc. However, members seem happy with the Victoria Road Recreation Centre for the next sale.

Spring Cheep Cheep sale for May or June. Possibly looking at tents set up behind the studio centre. Tonie will look into a rental amount for that sale. The Guild would not have any additional help from the City. Members would need to bring all the infrastructure. There would have to be no classes running during that time and John and Tonie would have to discuss if Open Studio could be closed for that day.

Tonie also wanted to point out that the move was last minute and that she hopes to obtain grants in order to expand the studio further.

Spring Cheep Cheep sale sub-committee is being led by Juliet, Hilary and Teresa. Amanda is to canvass possible venues and costs.

Much discussion on where to have the sale. Royal City Park gazebo, Lawn Bowling Club, Sunnycres Park or at the Potter Studio. June 9th as a possible date. All potters would be welcome (Guide or not).

Workshop on March 27th - Handles 2 - Instructed by Eleanor - It will be a hands on demo. Please bring a few leather hard items (already trimmed) to practice with. Fee will be \$25 for members and \$35 non Guild members. Second workshop a possibility if first fills up.

Guild has \$1,347.92 in the bank account.

New Position Title: Membership Coordinator - recruiting and membership sign up - introducing new and potential members - making posters for the studio for informational purposes. Maintaining potential members mail out list. Not currently filled.

Juliet to become Secretary and will replace Sheena.

Anita has requested that her name be removed from the bank account.

Survey to Guild members so they can express their wants for the Guild - Eleanor undertook this task.

Gail asked that New Membership cards be printed in order to receive a 5% discount at PSH Oakville - vote took place and it passed. Gail will order new cards.

New membership form must be made to include permissions for email address sharing.

Sheena to investigate a trip to the Gardiner Museum. Search for a bus, day and discounts.

End Meeting