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President Allan Butt called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. in Denise Inge's studio. 20 members were present.

The minutes were read and approved.

Denise gave the Treasurer's Report.

Allan noted that we have a new batch of WGAS rack cards, printed from the same art as before. He encouraged members to take as many as they could to leave where they might help with publicity.

Ainsley McNeely proposed that we add a rule to specifically forbid "paint-overs" in our exhibitions. She stated that it had become a major problem in some organizations. These involve starting with a print, vintage or new, or a photograph, and adding paint on the top. There was general agreement on the subject. Ainsley said that she would research how other groups had worded their rule and report.

Carolyn Greene next reported on behalf of Janie Brown, Chair of the Workshop search, who was unable to come to the meeting since she is out of town. Janie wants to retain Joseph Zubukvic of Australia for a workshop. Allan has contacted him, but he is not available for this year. Zubukvic said we would be kept on the list for another year. In the meantime, Allan has agreed to host a 2-3 day workshop in late January 2011. He asked that those who would be interested let us know so that we can determine how to proceed. Joanne noted that Carol Hegman & Diane StGermain, recent judges in our exhibitions also give workshops. Karen McGagin noted that she had recently been to a workshop by Wayne Spradley, and that she recommended him highly. Denise suggested that Karen and Joanne email their information to Janie.

Lynda announced the vote tally for the proposed Constitutional change. The votes were 25 for the proposed wording and 13 for the current wording, so the Constitution will be changed accordingly.

We discussed the new WGAS web site, designed by Lori Bernard. The domain is the same as before: [wgasmobile.org](http://wgasmobile.org). The member sign-in is "society48". Allan suggested that everyone who had their own website should send their address to Lynda to be linked to the WGAS webpage. Ainsley suggested that our rules for exhibition should be posted on the site.

Joanne then gave the information on the Fall Show at the USA library:

This is a Membership Show; everyone may enter 1 piece, and no one will be juried out.

Entry fee is \$20, and your dues must be current to enter.

Take in artwork on Monday November 1st, 10-2, Room 171.

Judging Nov 5 Reception Thurs Nov 11, 6-8:30 p.m., Room 181

Show will hang through Fri Dec 17th, and take down/pickup will be on Mon, Dec 20th, 10-2

Diane St. Germain of Slidell, LA, will be the judge for the show. [www.dianestgermain.com](http://www.dianestgermain.com)

The awards are:

Lee Hoffman Memorial Best of Show Award:\$500 donation toward this award given by Kaye Hoffman  
Ruth S. Bruckmann Memorial Award for Best Water Media:\$200.00  
WGAS Best Graphic Arts Award:\$200  
Jean Zaremba Memorial Award: \$100  
Bea Q. Tucker Memorial Award \$100.00  
Lee Hoffman Memorial Honorary Merit Award (Estimated value \$150)  
WGAS Honorable Mention Awards \$50 ea  
Southern Art and Framing Award \$150  
Alabama Art Supply \$100  
Members' Choice \$100

WGAS will pay for the drinks and paper/plastic products for the reception, and members are asked to bring a dish (finger-food).

Denise Inge, chair for the January show at MAC gave the details for that show:

This is a themed exhibit: **Mobile Bay and Delta** & your work should reflect the theme in some manner

Take-in Tuesday, Jan. 4, 10-2

\$10 entry fee to be used for the reception and for a donation to MAC, and dues must be paid up

Reception during the ArtWalk, Friday, Jan. 14th, 6-9 p.m.

Take-down Friday, Jan 28th, 10-2

The outcome of the rules vote will be in effect for this show.

2 entries per person

Also, we request a voluntary donation of 10% for any sales. MAC does not charge a commission.

Joanne stated that ESAC had expressed interest in a show there, possibly spring or fall, but had yet to be give a date. She will contact them again.

She noted that this would be the last time for the Zaremba and Tucker awards unless there were additional donations. It was suggested that we begin a "Membership Memorial" award for donations no matter of what size, so that people who had only a small amount to donate could be included. All agreed that this seemed a good idea.

Lynda mentioned that in addition to our new "official" website, we also have a Facebook page, and suggested that anyone who was on Facebook should "like" it.

Denise moved that the meeting be adjourned. Karen seconded

Meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Smith Touart, Secretary