

The March 16th, 2011, WAAL meeting was called to order by Vice President Jim Glover. The members attending the meeting applauded Jim's return to good health following a medical challenge he faced in February.

Ana Atwood, Treasurer, gave her report. There was an increase of income in March, mainly from the Spring Show entry fees.

The Secretary's report can be found on the WAAL website. Minutes from the February meeting were written by a substitute secretary Janet Waggoner.

Our guest at the meeting, Melissa Finkenbiner, introduced herself as an oil painter interested in WAAL.

Membership Chairman Chuck Zelms stated we now have 170 paid members.

Several members commented on various shows and workshops slated for spring. Information can be obtained from the www.artinview.com website.

Our current Spring Show co-chairman, Joyce Aueson, stated that Mary Husted, High Road co manager, said there had been many visitors to the gallery and their comments were very positive about the show. Award winners for the show can be found on www.artinview.com.

Nominations for WAAL officers for the upcoming year were presented from the nominating committee by Bill Westerman. The slate was approved by the voting present members and included:

President: Aida Garrity, returning President

Vice President: Marianne Miller

Secretary: Sara Worthington

Treasurer: Ana Atwood, returning Treasurer

New members will be installed at the May 2011 potluck supper.

Jim Glover introduced painter and illustrator Steven Walker as the presenter for program following the business meeting and break.

Steven, a Virginia native, now lives in Westerville with his wife, also an artist. Steven attended Virginia Commonwealth University for his BFA and Marywood University in Pennsylvania for his Masters degree. He now paints and illustrates full time, with some teaching of art as well. He detailed how he has been inspired throughout his lifetime to pursue art. His work can presently be found in galleries in four different states. Besides landscape painting he illustrates childrens books and brochures.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Sara Worthington, Acting Secretary