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Sculptor's Voice eNewsletter

Tri State Sculptors Education Association, Inc.

An organization of sculptors and sculpture enthusiasts from NC, SC, VA
and beyond...

Elon University Hosts Excellent 2009 TSS Conference and Exhibition

October 2 - 4, 2009 Thanks to Mike Sanford and Crew!



Mike Sanford,
Conference
Coordinator

Conference Activities:

Demonstrations
Lectures
Food
Sculpture Walk
Receptions
Conversations
More Food
More Demonstrations
PARTY
Member's Show
Keynote Speaker
More Food
More Partying
Scholarships
More Conversations
and the
TSS Business Meeting



Conference activities included a big party Friday evening, October 2, at Jim Gallucci's Studio



Besides partying, there was also some pondering,



Good Conversations,



and Good Food





Two Scholarships Presented

Recipients Give Presentations About Their Work



Scholarships were awarded to students **Lindsay Ethridge** (Undergraduate Student at The University of Georgia) and **Austin Sheppard** (Graduate Student at East Carolina University) by **TSS President Lisa Pearce** during a ceremony Saturday morning, October 3, 2009. Each student, after giving a presentation to members that included showing images of their work, received \$500 and a one year membership to TSS in addition to a waiver of the conference fee and will also be reimbursed for their expenses in attending the conference. Congratulations to both on this achievement and Welcome to TSS!

Sculptor Mel Chin

Gives Stirring Keynote Address

Koury Business Center, Elon University, Saturday Evening October 3

Talk focuses on his artwork and activism including the “Fundred Dollar Bill” project designed to raise awareness and money to fix lead pollution problem in New Orleans

Followed By Reception for Member’s Show

At Elon University’s Center For The Arts



TSS Members, Others, Give Demos and Lectures *Friday and Saturday, October 2 and 3 in Arts West, the Belk Library, and Center For The Arts at Elon University*

- David Schaeffer and L M Wood presented “Preparing Digital Files for Presentation, Publication and the Web”
- Ann Rowles lead a discussion about the “Women’s Caucus for Art”
- Ginny Tyler gave a demonstration and workshop on “Traditional Wax Thread Patterning in West African Metal Casting”
- Chris Wooten demonstrated “Casting Resin Bonded Bronze and Resin Bonded Marble”
- Ginny Tyler gave a presentation and lead a discussion about Elon University’s “African Art Collection”
- Phil Guilfoyle demonstrated “Shop Vac Casting for Small Scale Sculpture and Jewelry”
- Carl Billingsley gave a presentation about “The Lodestone Project”
- Lisa Pearce gave a presentation and lead a discussion about “Glass Casting”
- Ed Walker and John Wendelbo gave a presentation on “How *Carolina Bronze Sculpture* Integrates 3D CAD Modeling, 3D Laser Scanning, CNC Machining and 3D Rapid Prototyping Tools with Traditional Techniques”
- Duncan Lewis, John Martin, and Sue Kneppelt presented “Educational Workshops: Taking Portable Casting Equipment on the Road”

TSS Holds Annual Membership Meeting Sunday, October 4 See Pages 6-9

- ☛ *Approves Free One Year Memberships for Scholarship Applicants*
- ☛ *Approves Budget Increase for 2010 (includes Expenditures to Redesign Website, Reimburse Board Members for Excessive Mileage Travel to Board Meetings, Obtain Liability Insurance for the Board, and Publication of Two Hardcopy Newsletters Annually)*



**Minutes from Annual Meeting of the Membership
Elon University, Elon, NC October 4, 2009**

Approved November 3, 2009. Minutes recorded by Secretary David Newton were sent to the Board by President Winston Tite with minor revisions suggested for clarity. A Motion to Approve as Revised was made by Treasurer Linda McCune, Seconded by NC Rep Carl Billingsley. Minimum discussion followed with Linda McCune calling for the Question which was Seconded by Carl Billingsley. Nine members currently on the Board and two that were members of the Board at the time of the meeting, but that are not on the current Board, were present at the meeting held 10/4/09 and therefore eligible to vote. Each participated, approving the Minutes by a vote of 11 YES to 0 NO. Current Board Members participating: Jim Gallucci, David Newton, Linda McCune, Ginny Tyler, Carl Billingsley, Sharon Licata, Marvin Tadlock, Joel Haas, and Winston Tite; members of previous Board participating: Lisa Pearce and Emily Reynolds.

In Attendance

Lisa Pearce (President), Winston Tite (Vice-President), David Newton (Secretary), Linda McCune (Treasurer), Ginny Tyler (NC Rep), Emily Reynolds (Membership Chair), Carolyn Owen (Archivist), Marvin Tadlock, Bill McCune, Lindsay Ethridge, Steven Abodie, Bob Kowski, Jim Paulsen, Bill Donnan, Mickey Gault, Shanna Fleener, Michael Fels, Jim Gallucci, Ann Rowles, Kathleen Ramich, Gerry Sattelle, Juanita Greenspan, Joel Haas, Carl Billingsley, Sharon Collings Licata, Stacy Isenborger, Chris Todd, Michael Sanford, Andrea Wheless, Ed Walker, David White, Bob York, Phil Guilfoyle, John Martin

Absent (Board Members)

Michael Hough (VA Rep), Angela Thompson (Newsletter Editor), Keston Helfrich (Webmaster)

Called to order by President, Lisa Pearce, at 9:03 AM

Welcome from Lisa

Old Business

By-Law Changes: Winston reported on changes to our by-laws. These changes are more like refining than substantially changing the by-laws; correcting inconsistencies in spelling, misspelled words, with some minor reorganizing and the addition of an Index to make the document easier to use. This is now available on the Website, but the page numbers are not visible, making the index unusable, but Keston is working on this. In round two of this work, the Board will consider revision of sections to fit what we do now as an organization in addition to adding sections where needed such as a section on Newsletter Editor responsibilities, among others, which currently are not part of the By-laws.

Newsletter: Lisa reported for Angela Thompson who was not present and is currently in charge of the Newsletter. Angela requests that when there is a call for information from the membership, please respond. This will keep events up to date. Contact Lisa if there's any problems receiving or opening the recently sent eNewsletter. We are aiming to have newsletters quarterly, with two hard copy and two electronic.

The Next Conference: Jim Paulsen talked about the next conference at Towson U. in Baltimore. He would like to keep it in early October, but the important thing is that there cannot be any conference during football. He's waiting for the football schedule before he sets the



date. He acknowledged that it's a long drive, but it wouldn't be the first time for a conference. He noted the excellent museums in the area, and they have great iron pour facilities. Public transportation is poor there, so people are encouraged to drive. This will be cosponsored by *Sculptors Incorporated*, which should bring more people to the conference. He is hoping for early registration so he gets a sense of how much interest there will be. Work for the members exhibition will be accepted in early September. There will be two galleries, and space for outdoor work. Hopefully, there will be lifts for large pieces. There are many plazas for outdoor work. Contact Jim at jpaulsen@towson.edu for more info.

New Business

Drawing: Names were collected for a drawing for two \$100 gift certificates. The gift certificate giveaway was established to attract people to the business meeting.

Report from the Secretary, David Newton: No report. He passed around an attendance sheet, and several copies of the Minutes from our last meeting.

Report from the Treasurer, Linda McCune, and the Finance Committee: Linda reported that last year we set up a new proposed budget, the budget was approved, but we didn't actually spend all of the money, 64% of the budget went unspent. She mentioned some allocations for our money: Web site - a worthy area to bolster with more funds; Scholarship fund - this is being updated; Insurance for the Board - we will have \$1 million in liability and a \$2,500 deductible; and Mike Sanford was given a check to pay the Keynote Speaker and will reimburse TSS from money generated by conference fees. Our CD's are doing OK, but not spectacular. We aren't shifting anything at this time, but will shift some in January for safe investments with a higher yield. She thought that we might have to pay for an audit if we are over \$10,000 by the end of the year, but others thought it would have to be over \$25,000 to warrant an audit. Linda will look into this, as audits are expensive. Mike suggested that we spend more on the conference, and perhaps lower the fee for next year.

Winston Tite (Finance Committee Member) reviewed the highlights of the Proposed Budget for 2010 indicating that the Website will indeed receive more funding. This will make it look better and will make it easier to use. We need to redesign the Home Page, Members section, Events/Scholarship/Join section, and other areas. This should cost about \$3,000 in three phases, with a review at every stage. Keston Helfrich has kindly agreed to implement the changes to the site. Winston reiterated that in the Proposed Budget, the Newsletter will have two hard copies per year, which is one more than we did last year. Exhibitions didn't cost anything this year. The Proposed Budget includes \$500 for exhibitions which could perhaps be given to help support the *Caldwell Sculpture Celebration*, something to be considered by the Board. Cost of insurance for the Board also increased the budget. There was discussion of an idea to provide lunch and reimburse some gas expenses for Board Members that travel long distances to Board Meetings. In the past, lunch expenses had been coming out of the Miscellaneous category of the budget. Reimbursing some for gas expenses is a new idea, meant to offset travel costs for those traveling excessive distances and perhaps encourage members in remote locations to consider volunteering to serve on the Board when they might not otherwise because of travel costs. Ed Walker asked if there is a conflict of interest if a TSS member



works on the redesign of the Website, since he would make money for the work. It was suggested that he would charge very little money, but he will check with John Wendelbo to get another estimate. **Lisa suggested that we vote on the Proposed Budget. Joel Haas made a motion, with Ann Rowles seconding. The budget was approved unanimously.**

Report from State Representatives: NC Representative Ginny Tyler suggested that we circulate brochures to generate more interest in TSS. With some modifications, a brochure that Lisa Woods created could be reissued. Joel Haas will work with Ginny to follow up on this. The question was raised as to whether we could get a pdf version of this for electronic viewing. Winston would like to discuss this at the next Board Meeting. No other state representatives were present to report.

Report from Membership Chair, Emily Reynolds: She passed around a handout with membership info. She said that there are 539 members in the database, but only 358 are currently paid up. She recommended that state representatives make contact with past members to try to determine whether or not they wish to rejoin, we should work with the state reps to implement this, and that the Membership Form should be updated so that it asks the same kind of questions as asked of members on the Website as the information could be useful.

Nominating Committee: Lisa spoke for Roger Halligan and co-chair Jodi Hollnagel-Jubran as they were not present. Lisa led a discussion on whether or not teachers could nominate two students to receive Newsletters free for a year. Another idea is that all students who apply for a scholarship would automatically get free TSS membership for one year. Making the effort to complete the application indicates strong interest on their part. Lisa asked that we put this to a vote. On a motion from Joel Haas, and seconded by Michael Fels, the following was put to a vote: **Any student who completes the TSS Scholarship Application Process will receive a One Year Free Membership in TSS. This was unanimously approved, and will be put into place this year.**

Joel Haas said that he is willing to work on Membership. It was mentioned that Angela said that she needs help on the Newsletter. Prior to the vote on the slate, Carl Billingsley offered to give Mike Sanford a break and be the NC State Rep. **On a motion from Mike Sanford, seconded by Ed Walker, the slate was voted on and unanimously approved:** President, Winston Tite; Vice President, Jim Gallucci; Secretary, David Newton; NC Representative, Carl Billingsley; SC Representatives, Sharon Licata, Jason Waggoner; VA Representative, Marvin Tadlock; Student Representative, Ray Padron.

Report from Webmaster: No report made. For conversation about the site please see the items in the Treasurer's report.

Report from 2009 Conference Chair, Mike Sanford: We had 54 paid registrants, the conference is close to breaking even. Many thanks to a number of people, including Michael Fels, David Schaeffer, all of the student help, and the presenters. Mike received a standing ovation from the group.



Lisa mentioned that East Carolina cannot do the conference in 2011 as scheduled, but will host in 2012. We need a host for 2011! Suggestions are welcome. Phil Guilfoyle was encouraged to consider hosting it at his school; he indicated he will consider and report back.

Other Business

Winston reiterated thanks to Mike for his capable handling of the conference. He also thanked Lisa for her leadership this past year as TSS President, and thanked Emily for her three years of work as Membership Chair.

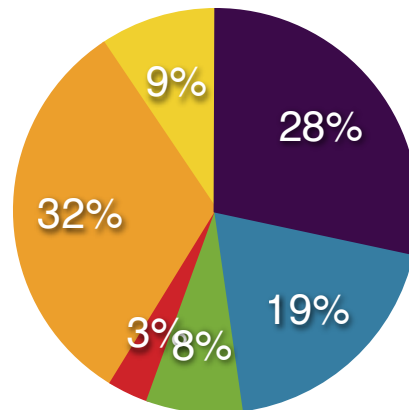
At 10:47 AM, the meeting was adjourned by Lisa

Respectfully submitted by David Newton,
Secretary, Tri State Sculptors Education Association, Inc.

2010 Budget Allocations (Approved 10/4/09)

● Marketing*	28%	\$4,410
● Conference	19%	\$3,000
● Scholarships*	8%	\$1,200
● Exhibitions	3%	\$500
● Administrative*	32%	\$4,955
● Unspent	9%	\$1,455

Chart - 2010 Budget

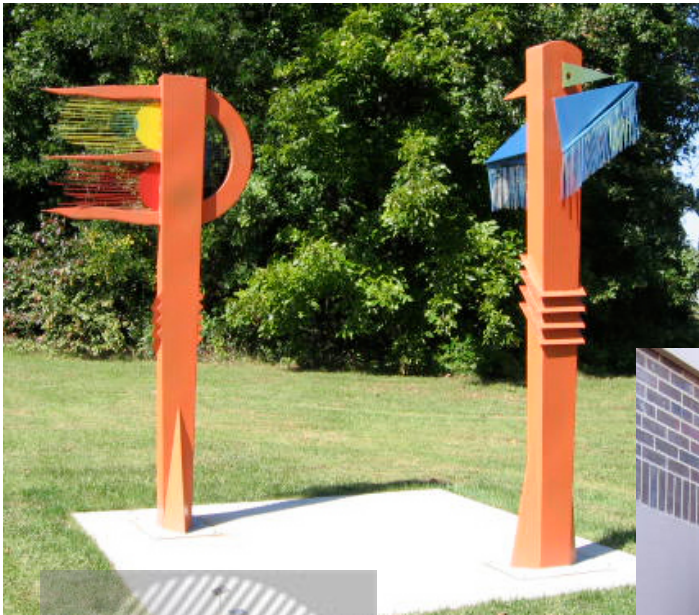


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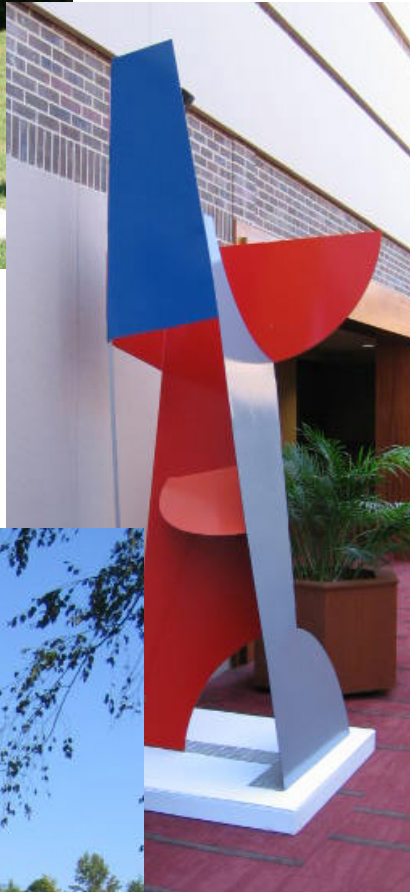
*Marketing includes expenses associated with publication of two hardcopy Newsletters, Website Redesign (new expense) and Hosting Fee (annual expense), and printing of Renewal Reminder Post Cards

*Scholarships includes awarding of two \$500 Scholarships in addition to reimbursement of recipient's expenses to attend conference up to \$100 each

*Administrative includes Postage (mailing of Newsletters, Renewal Reminders, other), Post Office Box for Treasurer, Liability Insurance for Board (new expense), Bank Fees (returned check fees, etc.), Lunch for Board Meetings, Reimbursement of Board Members for Excessive Travel (more than 120 miles round trip per meeting at \$0.30/mile) to attend Board Meetings (new expense)



Several of the many exciting sculptures by TSS members on the campus of Elon University for the conference.



Some of this work and others (24 sculptures)



remain on exhibit through next Spring or longer.





My name is spelled wrong!

Calendar

January 2010

- Annual Membership Renewals Due 1/1/10
- Deadline is 1/1/10 for members to submit items (articles, exhibition and/or award announcements, etc.) for possible publication in the **Winter Newsletter** (Send items to Angela Thompson, TSS Newsletter Editor)

February 2010

- Next Newsletter published (Mailed Hardcopy)
- Next Board Meeting (To be held in Charlotte, Time and Location TBA soon)

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Thanks Linda, Mike, David, and Angela

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Everyone had a great time!



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