

**NATIONAL COUNCIL ON EDUCATION FOR THE CERAMIC ARTS
(NCECA)**

MINUTES – SECOND SESSION

MEMBERS' BUSINESS MEETING

PHILADELPHIA MARIOTT DOWNTOWN – Room 204B/C

APRIL 3, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 11:45 a.m. by President Skeffington Thomas. The President welcomed the members to the Second Session of the 2010 Annual Members' Business Meeting. Mr. Thomas praised Amy Sarner-Williams and Jeff Guido for their work as On-Site Conference Liaisons. President Thomas congratulated NCECA organizers for the huge success of the Conference and Exhibition with over 5,200 people registered.

Harry S. Rosenthal, Esq., PRP, was reintroduced as the professional parliamentarian for the meeting.

Mr. Thomas confirmed the presence of a quorum.

A motion was made by President-Elect Keith Williams and seconded to amend NCECA's Articles of Incorporation. It was noted that a copy of the proposed Amendments was posted on the NCECA website for comment for over 60 days prior to the meeting and for final review to the membership over the past 32 days.

The two proposed Amendments to the Articles are:

1. The personal liability of a director to the corporation for monetary damages for breach of a fiduciary duty as a director is limited to the full extent provided by Colorado law.

2. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Hearing no discussion, the Tellers distributed ballots to the members and then collected them. The Tellers, along with Parliamentarian Rosenthal, then took the ballots to a private location for their count.

Robert Harrison, Chair of the Nominations Committee, then introduced the candidates running for the Student Directors-at-Large position. Speeches were given by the three candidates:

Chanda Glendinning

Thomas Stollar

Ian Winemius

Mr. Harrison then introduced the candidates running for the Director-at-Large positions. Speeches were given by:

Cindy Bracker-Sturm

Terry deBardelaban

Jim Ibur

Mr. Harrison introduced the candidates running for the Secretary/Treasurer position. Speeches were given by the two candidates:

Glenda Taylor
Lee Burningham

Head Teller Donna Rozman was then recognized by the President and gave the following report regarding the vote for amending the Articles of Incorporation:

Number of votes cast	190
Necessary for Adoption (2/3)	124
Votes for motion	176
Votes against	14
Illegal votes	0

The President announced that more than 2/3rds voted in favor of the motion and that the Articles of Incorporation were amended.

Next, the President recognized Keith Williams, Chair of the Bylaws Task Force. Mr. Williams moved for the adoption of the amendments to the Constitution by its immediate consolidation into the bylaws as the bylaws were amended by the Board. The motion was seconded.

Louis Katz was then recognized by the President. Mr. Katz offered two friendly amendments. Hearing no objection, the friendly amendments were accepted. They were:

1. Add to Article XV:
"Except where these bylaws pertain to the election of the Board of Directors and Officers, the Board of Directors may amend these bylaws at any time."
2. Add to Article XV:

“Any change to the bylaws must be communicated to the membership within thirty days to the extent that is practical. This communication must be via email or mail. These changes must be prominently displayed on the NCECA website for at least 60 days.”

The new Article XV if approved will read:

ARTICLE XV.

Amendments to Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws

Except where these bylaws pertain to the election of the Board of Directors and Officers, the Board of Directors may amend these Bylaws at any time to add, change, or delete a provision, unless the Act or the Council’s Articles of Incorporation reserve such power exclusively to the members. Any change to the bylaws must be communicated to the membership within 30 days to the extent that is practical. This communication must be via email or mail. These changes must also be prominently displayed on the NCECA website for at least 60 days.

The Board of Directors may propose an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation for consideration by the members. Voting members may amend the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws by members representing at least ten percent (10%) of all the votes entitled to be cast on the amendment proposing an amendment to the Articles or Bylaws for submission to the members. Any proposed amendment by the Board of Directors must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the Board; any proposed amendment by the members must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of a quorum as provided in Section 5.6. A vote by the members shall be conducted at the second business session of the

annual conference provided the amendment has been submitted to the Board of Directors at least sixty days prior to the session at which it is to be voted. The Secretary shall circulate all proposed amendments to the membership at least thirty days prior to the session at which they are to be voted on.

Hearing no further discussion, the Tellers then distributed ballots to the voting members to vote on the proposed Amendments. The ballots were then collected by the Tellers and taken for a count in a private location by the Tellers, along with Harry S. Rosenthal, Parliamentarian.

President Thomas then recognized Head Teller Donna Rozman who gave the following report concerning the vote for new NCECA board positions:

The Student Director-at-Large is:	Chanda Glendinning
The Secretary/Treasurer is:	Lee Burningham
The Director-at-Large is:	Cindy Bracker-Sturm

The President recognized the three new board members.

Lydia Thompson announced the NCECA International Residency 2010 Award Recipients: The winners are:

ANE FABRICIUS CHRISTIANSEN
Zentrum Fur Keramik Residency for Ceramics

CAROL GENTITHES and FRED JOHNSON
Jingdezhen Sanbao Ceramic Art Institute
Jingdezhen, China

ANNE DREW POTTER
Guldagergaard-International Ceramic Research Center
Skaleskor, Denmark

Jessica Orlowski announced the awards from the First National Juried Student

Exhibition:

Roger Lang Award for Student Excellence:
BONILYN PARKER

Aardvark Clay Purchase Award:
CRISHA YANTIS

Retired Professors Award:
AISHA HARRISON

KBH Merit Award:
MELISSA GRIFFIN

Muddy Elbow Soldner Mixer Award for Student Excellence:
ARIEL BOWMAN

The Studio Potter Merit Award – Undergraduate:
BONILYN PARKER and SEAN LARSON

The Studio Potter Merit Award – Graduate:
MELISSA GRIFFIN and DOUGLAS PELTZMAN

NCECA Undergraduate Award for Student Excellence 3rd Place:
GREG PUGH

NCECA Graduate Award for Student Excellence 3rd Place:
MALLORY WETHERELL

NCECA Undergraduate Award for Student Excellence 2nd Place:
JUSTIN MANFREDI

NCECA Graduate Award for Student Excellence 2nd Place:
DOUGLAS PELTZMAN

NCECA Undergraduate Award for Student Excellence 1st Place:
ERIC WOLEVER

NCECA Graduate Award for Student Excellence 1st Place:
KEIRA NORTON

Rhonda Willers announced the 2010 Cups of Merit Awards. The winners are:

JANA EVANS , Tempe, AZ
MARTHA GROVER, Helena, MT
TED NEAL, Yorktown, IN

President Thomas brought all the outgoing Board members to the stage to give them a final farewell. The outgoing board members were:

Jeff Guido
Robert Harrison
Eduardo Lazo
Jessica Orlowski
Jim Romberg
Amy Sarner-Williams

The traditional “passing of the t-shirt” happened between the current On-Site Liaisons (Jeff Guido and Amy Sarner-Williams) and the future ones (Bryan Ransom and Anna Collouri Holcombe).

The Tampa On-Site Conference Liaisons gave a presentation.

President Thomas then recognized Chief Teller Rozman for a report on the vote to consolidate the Constitution into the bylaws. The report was as follows:

Number of votes cast:	161
Necessary for adoption (3/4):	121
Votes for motion:	153
Votes against:	8
Illegal votes:	1

The President declared that the vote for adoption had PASSED by the required 3/4ths and that the Constitution was consolidated into the bylaws as the bylaws were amended by the Board.

Keith Williams announced that the 2012 NCECA conference site is Seattle, Washington.

President Thomas announced the drawing for 2011 conference registration and annual membership. The winners were:

Alfred Denny Wallace

Kris Pedersen

A motion was made and seconded at 1:00 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. PASSED.

GLENDAY TAYLOR, Secretary