# FCA Toronto AGM 2025 Meeting Minutes November 18, 2025 Meeting Called to Order: Martha Moore, 7:30 p.m. In Attendance: 18 Members including 7 Board Members: . Martha Moore, President . Karen Saunders-Hurley, Treasurer . Louise Scott-Bushell, Exhibition Coordinator . Bev Morgan, Member At Large / Mailchimp Coordinator . Lucy Quinn, Social Media . Dina Belaia, Graphic Designer . Diana Zawalick-Grenkow, Secretary / Newsletter Coordinator Regrets: . Cher Pruys, Membership Coordinator . Rick Cullis, Past President . Alan Douglas Ray, Past President **Meeting Minutes** There were no changes to the meeting minutes from September 10, 2024. September 10, Motion to Approve: Ian Gray Seconded: Lucy Quinn 2024 All in Favour: motion carried. **BOARD REPORTS:** Exhibition Coordinator, Louise Scott-Bushell . Exhibition Coordinator looks for affordable galleries to have up to three exhibitions per year. Works with FCA Vancouver to get exhibitions set up and find jurors. Organizes the reception and a juror who, in person, chooses the award winners (1st, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 3 x honourable mention). Ensures both the policies and procedures from the FCA and the gallery are adhered to. . Louise reported on the 2025 exhibition results and the exhibition line up for 2026 – 2028: - 2025 Exhibitions' Summary: We held the Online Exhibition run by Martha Moore in March, Alton Mills in early Summer with one artwork sale, and Neilson Park Creative Centre (NPCC) in the Fall. Submission numbers not as high as anticipated, galleries complimented the quality of our exhibitions. Signature status members from across Canada jury our shows and choose the winning artworks. - Sunnybrook Non-Juried Exhibition Summary: 82 paintings participated , 2 sold. - 2026 Exhibitions: to be held at Etobicoke Civic Centre (ECC), NPCC and the Online Exhibition - 2027 Exhibitions: to be held at NPCC and would like to have one more gallery

- space for 2027. Will also hold the Online Exhibition.
   2028 Exhibitions: to be held at NPCC, and Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden. Will also hold the Online Exhibition.
- . Louise is looking for someone to help find venues and take over this position by next year's AGM.

. Noted from Martha Moore, our Chapter won the "Chapter Challenge" this past year with the most entries and awards than other Chapters. Secretary / Newsletter Coordinator, Diana Zawalick-Grenkow . Secretary: records and ensures the accuracy of all meeting minutes with the President and Board attendees. Minutes are electronically filed and available to membership upon request. . Newsletter Coordinator: Collects and assembles newsletter topics ensuring accuracy with the President. Ensures correct formatting and context with the Mailchimp coordinator before release. Newsletters are delivered to the Membership on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Treasurer, Karen Saunders-Hurley . Treasurer: Accounts for the banking and bookkeeping. Accurately tracking, recording and balancing operating expenses, revenue and bank account. The following is the bookkeeping data from Jan.1 to November 1, 2025 . 2024 Income forwarded was \$2,702.70, and added to the 2025 Income of \$15,459.00 totals \$18,161.70. The bulk of this came from membership fees, exhibition entry and workshop fees, and art sales. . 2025 Expense total is \$14,607.51 derived of fees for banking and website, costs from advertising/promotion, exhibition/jurying/receptions/awards, stationery/ incidentals, workshops/art chat. . 2026 Year end balance, \$3,554.19. Noted from Martha Moore, our next big event is the Open Online Exhibition which is a great revenue generator for our Chapter. Membership Coordinator, Cher Pruys. Cher sent in her report. . Membership: tracks and maintains detailed records of our members. . Cher reported, as of November 1, 2025: Total membership is 131. Breakdown, is 88 Exhibiting, 20 Signature and 23 Supporting. . This year had 24 new members join our Chapter. Noted from Martha Moore: Encouraged the members to renew and support the growth and future of the FCA Toronto, and to partake in the exhibitions, demos, and art chats. Social Media, Lucy Quinn . Social Media: Creates and posts all social media updates for the Chapter. . For each painting accepted to our exhibitions, Lucy creates a feature that includes its image, title, media, size, price. These are rotated throughout our social media platforms. Looking to get Lucy assistance with this portion of her mandate. . Forwards Chapter news and exhibition results to Art Avenue magazine.

# Graphic Design, Dina Belaia

- . Creates and prepares professional graphics to promote our events, functions, art announcements and Chapter branding.
- . Requests are professionally, efficiently and quickly completed.

## Ad Hoc Member/Mailchimp, Bev Morgan

- . Manages the Mailchimp program to deliver the FCA Toronto communiques to the membership.
- . Bev noted 82% of members open the Mailchimp communication and hopes to increase that percentage in 2026.
- . Works in conjunction with the Membership Coordinator on reporting new members and any changes in an existing member's FCA status.

### **ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:**

- . Officers returning for the 2026 FCA Toronto Executive:
- Martha Moore, President
- Louise Scott-Bushell, Exhibition Coordinator
- Lucy Quinn, Social Media
- Dina Belaia, Graphic Designer
- Bev Morgan, Ad Hoc Member/Mailchimp
- Rick Cullis, Past President

Motion to approve: Lynden Cowan Seconded: Carol Loeb

All in favour: Motion carried.

- New Officers to the 2026 FCA Toronto Executive:
- Cher Pruys, Membership Coordinator
- Diana Zawalick Grenkow, Secretary/Newsletter Coordinator

Motion to approve: Karen Saunders - Hurley Seconded: Bev Morgan

All in favour: Motion carried.

#### OTHER BUSINESS FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

- . Tanya Markvart is our new Webmaster. Tanya has asked to not be on the Board and will not be attending our monthly meeting. Martha thanked her for the work she is doing for us and we hope she will join our board in the future.
- . As of January 2026 we are cancelling our Zoom account and will be using, free of charge, Google Meet via the FCA Vancouver's account.
- . Our first Art Chat of 2026 will be February 11<sup>th</sup> with Doug Swinton.
- . Discussed the liability insurance to protect the board members from any mishaps that we may incur through our events etc. i.e. bodily injury, product liability, tenant legal liability, personal and advertising injury liability etc. Specifically comprehensive

	coverage with D&O (Directors and Officers) and CGL (Commercial General Liability). We have 2 million in coverage for each of these policies.  . We have been advertising the need for a Bookkeeper/Treasurer. This role needs to be filled by 2026 or we will need to budget for the hiring of a bookkeeper.
GENERAL DISC	USSION NOTES:
	. Lynden Cowan noted there is a new gallery opening in 2027 or 2028 at Kipling. Lynden also heard ECC will not be charging exhibition fees for groups.  . Ian Gray asked if FCA Vancouver was raising funds to standardize the website service for the Chapters. Martha noted that it was in regards to standardize the placement of the FCA logo within each Chapter's website. Will track this for further developments.
Adjournment:	7:57 p.m.
Submitted by Dia	na Zawalick – Grenkow, Secretary