

PICKENS COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART AND HISTORY
SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 3:45 PM

Board members present were Erin Webb, Ginger Hicks, Jeannie Gilstrap virtually, and museum curator Tabitha Johnson. Jeannie Gilstrap moved to approve the August minutes as written, and Ginger Hicks seconded; the minutes were approved.

Tabitha Johnson updated the board on our financial standing; our bank balance as of August 30 is \$14,570.83. Tabitha spent \$14 to boost our Facebook post promoting the Juried Exhibit. In terms of visitation to the museum, Tabitha reported 481 August visitors, which is an increase from last year. She noted that online engagement increased as well, stating that Facebook had 124 new followers while Instagram had 54.

The Juried Arts Exhibit is approaching; the deadline for submissions is September 24, 2023. To date there are 21 entries; to meet the costs of holding the exhibit, we need 80-90 entries. Board members are urged to contact artists they may know, art guilds, and others who may be interested in the exhibit.

In new business, Erin Webb's new two-part painting class will address values in painting. The first four-week session will begin on Thursday, October 26, and will deal with still life. The second four-week session, which will focus on portraits and landscapes, will begin on November 30. The classes will meet from 10 AM-1 PM.

Tabitha Johnson reported that the county is applying for a grant to have a mural painted on the Highway 178 side of the museum building.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be October 9, 2023 at 3:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginger Hicks, secretary