Tarpon Springs Art Association General Meeting

September 8, 2014

- The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Vice-President Frank Hipp. All guests and new members were welcomed.
- <u>Secretary's Report</u>: The May meeting minutes are on the table in the back of the room and available on the TSAA web site.

Treasurer's Report: The bank balance is \$3181.17.

Membership & Newsletter: No Report.

Programs: Jane Lawson reported that the Plein Air group is meeting in October on Friday's at 9:30 a.m. at Crystal Beach. She has scheduled the following artists: October, Helen Savage, a long time member, will present pouring paint over stretched material. In November, plein aire artist, Robert Simone. And in January, Terry Denson, a watercolorist.

Sunshine Chris reported sympathy cards were sent to the Julius Lesser and Kevin Burns families.

Venues:

Florida Capitol Bank -No report.

Performing Arts Center - Signup sheet in the back of the room.

Florida Hospital North (Helen Ellis Hospital) - Yiota reported this venue is again available to the association and the process has tightened up. Art pick up and take down will occur on the same day at a scheduled time, specifically the 3rd Tuesday of every other month at 11:00 am. We have 10 permanent hooks that accommodate 16X20 frames or larger so 2 artists can display 5 paintings each. Additional information is available from Yiota or Sue Whalen and sign up is available in the back of the room.

Special Events: This year we have partnered with the Brooker Creek Preserve for the Paint & Photo event. It is October 9-12 and all are encouraged to participate and register as soon as possible. There is also a Tarpon Springs Invitational Paint Out with 25 prominent artists on November 4-9. A quick draw is scheduled and open to all artists. The reception is November 8 and is open to the public. Information is available in the back of the room. We have received a \$1000 grant from WalMart to create a mentoring program for children. A committee will be formed of those interested in creating the program. More information will be forthcoming.

Artist of the Month: Jim Throne

Announcements: International Society of Acrylic Painters juried exhibition is Oct.14th at the Morean Art Center. Open painting is Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am in Craig Park. Thursday evenings, 6:00 - 8:00pm, sketching with live models, available at the Dunedin Senior Center. The Artist's Market is September 27-28 at Leepa Ratner.

<u>Adjournment</u>: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Minutes respectively submitted by Bess King, Secretary.