Tarpon Springs Art Association General Meeting January 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Sherry Orr. All guests and new members were welcomed.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> The November 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 \$3179.09.

<u>Membership & Newsletter</u>: TSAA membership is 158. Information for the newsletter is due 1/18. The association has been registered with the state, as required, as a non-profit.

<u>Programs:</u> Jane Lawson reported that the Plein Aire group is meeting in January on Fridays at 9:30 am in downtown Tarpon Springs. She also mentioned that if enough interest is shown, possibly changing the time to 1:00 pm due to the morning cool and cloudy weather. She will notify members if the time changes. Terry Denson, will present a watercolor workshop on Friday, January 16 at 9:00 am in the Recreation Center. Due to a scheduling conflict, Lee Albion is presenting a watercolor demo at today's meeting in place of Terry Denson. Thank you to Jane for all your work in scheduling art programs.

Sunshine: No report.

Venues:

Florida Capitol Bank - signup with Sharon Chandler.

Performing Arts Center - signup sheets available on the table in the back of the room. Florida Hospital North (Helen Ellis Hospital) - volunteers are needed to coordinate this venue and are asked to notify Sherry Orr today.

Special Events: Heather Risley reported that the Invitational Paint Out event made a profit of about \$2000 for the TSAA, with \$500 donated to the art mentoring program at the Boy's & Girl's club. Heather thanked Sherry Orr for coordinating and providing an excellent program with the children and anyone interested in helping can contact Sherry or Heather.

Artist of the Month: Raquel Egosi

New Business: Contact Sherry Orr if interested in conducting the 50/50 at the general meetings. TSAA will create a 2016 calendar with the theme "Pinellas County". A landscape picture of your art is to be sent or emailed to Patsy Renz by mid March 2015. Sherri Edell will be the photographer for the calendar entries.

Sherry Orr thanked Patsy Renz and Sherri Edell for all the photography at the Winter Art Show and she presented the absentee awards. A comment book was passed around for members to share their ideas to make this event better and to increase participation and take advantage of the opportunity to display their artwork. Sherry Orr encouraged everyone to explore venues to display members artwork.

Announcements: Sherri Edell shared the cards available of Harry Edell's artwork and noted she is available to create cards for any member. Carole Loiacono has started her watercolor lesson and information sheets are on the table in the back of the room. Carole Loiacono also is conducting watercolor lessons at Brooker Creek Preserve every other Saturday, beginning January 10. Pat Roguz announced that the Pasco Art Council chartered a bus to go to the Museum of Fine Arts on February 23 and a model sketching class is scheduled on February 9, 9:30 to 12:00 pm. Contact her in interested in attending.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:07 p.m. Minutes respectively submitted by Bess King, Secretary.