FOCUS GROUP CAMERA CLUB Club Meeting Minutes December 11, 2023

Call to order

A meeting of Focus Group Camera Club was held at River Road Presbyterian Church on Monday, December 11th, 2023 and was called to order at 7:30 pm by Lloyd Chaser, President. Also in attendance were Charlie Stout, Vice President; Gene Harris, Secretary; and members Charles Krumbein, Tom Allen, Beau Richardson, Vicky Eicher, and Rick Bream. Mention was made that Bill Billings has dropped his membership.

Tom Allen brought a guest, his daughter Christy, who is a potter and travel nurse.

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

The November Monthly Challenge was "Lights, Camera, Action." The task was to use any or all of these words as inspiration. Images were shared by Debbie Roberts, Ellen Martin, and Charlie Stout.

The December Monthly Challenge is "Shadows." Get creative with shadows to really explore form, shape and texture.

PROGRAM - "LIGHTS AT LEWIS GINTER"

The program consisted of members' images taken at night of the light display at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Images were presented by Gene Harris, Lloyd Chaser, Vicky Eicher, and Charlie Stout.

UPCOMING PROGRAM

The January program will be given by club member Mark Breen, who will speak about the challenges of creating images while on a group tour.

BUSINESS MEETING

- <u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Treasurer Mark Breen reported a balance of \$5112.58 with expenditures of \$300 for the 2nd half of the year's rental of the meeting room, and \$25.00 for web hosting.

ROUNDTABLE

Debbie Roberts, Gene Harris, Lloyd Chaser, Tom Allen, and Charlie Stout each presented images for the Roundtable.

IMAGE CRITIQUE

Gene and Lloyd each presented images for group critique and suggestions for improvement.

FURTHER BUSINESS

Charles Krumbein mentioned that the exhibition at Cedarfield ends January 8, and those with displayed images should pick them up at 10 am that day. He also mentioned that there will be another exhibit there starting Sept 6, 2024 and going through January 3, 2025.

Lloyd and others urged members to continue to recruit new club members.

Charlie Stout asked for help with program ideas, with a short discussion following.

Adjournment

There being no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Harris, Secretary