

Minutes of the MMW Meeting
Held Saturday, June 6, 2009
at Maine Media Workshops, Rockport, Maine

Business Meeting:

New President Carol Jaeger welcomed members and guests, provided a brief description of MMW, and recapped events of the Annual Meeting. It was noted that Jennifer Bunting of Tilbury House, our guest speaker at the Annual Meeting, had returned her speaker's fee with a note requesting that the money be placed in our scholarship fund.

- Carol also reported that the MMW checking account currently has a balance of \$6,143.20, and the scholarship fund has \$2,392.73, of which \$500.00 is earmarked for our recent scholarship winner.

Old Business: (1) A member asked about prior years' discussions on creating an MMW scrapbook and a possible mentoring program for high school seniors. To date, neither of these ideas has taken root. (2) Carol recapped the effort to attract applicants for the scholarship and the decision to award it to Rebecca Schooley of Georges Valley H.S. – the only applicant, and a worthy one. It was noted that the money will not be sent to her until she's completed her freshman year at college and registered for her sophomore year.

New Business: Carol reminded everyone that annual dues of \$30.00 (\$15.00 for students) are now due. Also, she mentioned the decision made at the Annual Meeting to offer half-price dues to people on the "Friends of MMW" e-mail list who sign up as first-time members between now and September 1.

Around-the-Circle introductions were made.

Guest Speaker, Elizabeth Greenberg, Director of Education for Maine Media Workshops:

- Spoke briefly about the Workshops, mentioning that the relatively new Maine Media College offers degree programs, including an MFA.

- Introduced the Karen Van Allsburg photo exhibition hanging in Union Hall, where we were meeting. The official opening was to take place on Tuesday, June 9, and the exhibit will be up through June 30, 2009. All works are for sale, and proceeds will go to our Karen Van Allsburg Scholarship fund.
- Elizabeth also announced the Workshops' annual open house, which will take place on Sunday, June 21, 2009, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. at the Camden Street location in Rockport.
- **Elizabeth's program** featured a fascinating slide show and narrative about women in photography from the medium's earliest days in the nineteenth century to the present. Along the way, we also learned about the evolution of the technology and materials, various "movements" in photographic styles, and how women have influenced the art form. A brief Q&A session followed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Genie Dailey, Secretary