

Carrie opened the meeting. New members were introduced & they gave brief information on their art media.

The acting board members & current board member were introduced along with their respective roles on the board. According to the current by-laws, board members are to be voted on by the league membership. The current acting board members, with the exception of Pat, have never gone through the formal voting process and approved by the membership. In order to be in compliance with the by-laws, Carrie asked for nominations from the floor in case there are members who are interested in being on the board. Being none, a motion from the floor was made to accept the slate of current acting members- (Bonnie) vote was taken by a raise of hands, motion carried.

Approved Board:      President, Carrie Godwin  
                                 Vice President, Shirley Anderson  
                                 Treasurer, Sue Cherk  
                                 Secretary, Kim Roewert  
                                 Membership Coordinator, Pat Reich  
                                 Artisan Tour Director, Veronique Benoit

The minutes from the October 6, 2025 monthly league meeting were reviewed by Kim. The minutes were uploaded to the website: [www.fhartleague.com](http://www.fhartleague.com) All minutes of the monthly league minutes will be available to view on the website.

A short break for members to cast their vote for Artist of the Month & purchase 50/50 tickets.  
Artist of the Month: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Elaine Tarr    2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Carolyn McCluskey

50/50 Winner: Carolyn McCluskey

Treasurers Report: Sue projected the treasurers report on the video screen. Income/Expenses were explained & questions answered.

Beginning Balance:    \$7,498.19  
Oct. Income:            \$2,400.00  
Oct. Expenses:        \$ 694.77  
Ending Balance:       \$9,093.18

Veronique gave an update of the Artisan Tour. Goal of having 30 participating artists was met! The window to apply to participate is closing soon. There are currently 5 business tour stops and 7 home studio stops. This year the committee sought out local businesses to host an artist or 2. The purpose is to bring the league into a more prominent view within the community and to draw businesses in to support the arts and the FHAL. The membership was reminded that sponsorship supports the league as a whole, not just the tour. It is very important for each member to step up and seek sponsors in order to keep the league moving forward. Currently there are 20 sponsors for the league's Oct.25 -Sept.26 season. All current sponsors will be published on the Artisan Tour brochure. The revised raffle process was explained: Each purchase gives the buyer an entry to the raffle. The tour committee is seeking for a minimum of 10 raffle prizes. The prizes can be comprised of multiple raffle donations adding up to a \$100 value.

Pat reported on the status of membership. She explained that membership and the Juried Art Show sign up is now available online at the website. Entry for the Juried Show is \$50 and a limit of 2 pieces are allowed-no political themes or nudity. The All Member's Show (Febr.2026) will be available to sign up after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. If anyone needs help signing up, please reach out to her or any board member.

Carrie gave an update on marketing & communications. The League partnered with the Gallery for Fountain Hills Days and hosted a kids painting/drawing events. There is a need for someone to help with the graphics and creating of flyers, brochures etc. The league is looking for a possible student intern to help with this. It is an unpaid internship, however it is still a great opportunity for a student to take it on and then it becomes part of their resume. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please contact Carrie. Right now there is great need for members to step into more volunteering for upcoming events and the everyday workings of the league. There are several sign up sheets on the back table in which to volunteer your support of the league:

1. A By-Laws working group-the current by-laws need to be reviewed and revised.
2. The forming of a Welcome Committee which will include printing of new member badges, welcome & thank you cards as needed, phone calls, & helping at the sign in table at the monthly meetings.
3. An Art Courier: this role is "as needed" when there are errands that need to be run to take the burden from the board.
4. The local schools have asked if the league could provide presentations to the art classes. If you are willing to do so, please sign up. Details will be forthcoming.
5. The Dec. Pot Luck sign up.
6. The Christmas Wreath project

Shirley reported on the surveys that were completed and turned in from last month's meeting. There were 26 members in attendance at the meeting; 13 surveys were collected. She encouraged everyone who did not complete the survey to do so. Copies of the survey were on the sign in table. Due to the small number of completed surveys, the results are not supportive of the entire league membership, however the data that was collected thus far revealed that members want more substantive meetings, more demonstrations, and a desire to know their fellow members better. A "shout out" to Jack Morris was made as he has been busy, working hard securing sponsors for the league.

Carrie projected on the screen the new website, reviewed all the tabs and went over how to navigate the site. Again, if anyone has questions or needs assistance, please reach out to any of the board members.

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes Submitted by:  
Kim Roewert, Secretary.