

Minutes —MVPC Board Meeting: Nov 12, 2024

Tuesday, 11/12/2024

Location: Zoom Meeting

Called to order 7:04pm

Board Members 2024-2025

President	<i>Vacant (Oct. volunteer?)</i>
Vice President	Rob Hubbard
Secretary	Brian Bauman
Treasurer	Debra Sunderman
Salon Committee	Daniel Vande Vusse, Al Kiecker, Kevin Corrigan
Programs	Rick Graves
Publicity	Phil Davies, Joy Kamano,
Exhibits	Lorrie Dahlman, Carrie Rebeschke
Website	Joe Santos, Gene Weigel
Facilities	<i>Vacant</i>
Activities	Don Tredinnick
Photographer's Playground	Don Tredinnick
TCACCC Representative	Craig Peterson
Eagan Rep	Ken Cheung
PSA Rep	Bev Kiecker
N4C Digital Rep	Terri Greenberg
N4C Judging Team	Rob Hubbard
Historian	Becky Bergmann
Past President	Rick Graves

Highlighted names indicate attendance.

Officer & Committee Chair Reports

President – vacant

- Vacancies: President, Facilities
- Board has decided to fill President role with volunteers from the board

Event	Volunteer Fulfilling President Role
September – General Meeting	Rick Graves
September – Board Meeting	Brian Bauman
October – General Meeting 10/3	Terri Greenberg: Rick introduced Presenter
October – Board Meeting 10/8	Phil Davies
November – General Meeting	tbd
November – Board Meeting 11/12	Terri Greenberg
December – General Meeting 12/5	December 5 th – Member image presentation & Potluck. Note new location? Al can lead this meeting

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December – Board Meeting 12/10	Rick Graves
January – General Meeting	tbd
January – Board Meeting	tbd
February – General Meeting	Don Tredinnick
February– Board Meeting	tbd
Marcy – General Meeting	tbd
March – Board Meeting	tbd
April – General Meeting	tbd
April – Board Meeting	tbd
May – General Meeting	tbd
May – Board Meeting	tbd
June – Board Meeting	tbd
August – Board Meeting	tbd

Vice President – Rob Hubbard

No Report

Secretary – Brian Bauman

Looking for approval for Oct 8th Board Meeting minutes

Motion to approve by Al Kiecker, Second Rob Hubbard, Motion passed.

- September 10th & August 6th Board Meeting minutes have been sent out to MVPC members
- Thank You's have been mailed out for the September & October salon judges and program presenter

Treasurer – Debra Sunderman

- Discuss Paypal charge \$78.95 noted as a mistake
 - Paypal app inadvertently used MVPC account vs the Treasurer’s personal account. A correction of the same amount will show up in the November report.
- Update: Working with Joe Santons on a possible issue with PayPal and receiving registration. Will check to see if the treasurer email is still valid. Will work with Brian Bauman to test his registration to see if things are working properly.

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Primary Savings	
Beginning balance	\$5.19
Deposit (interest)	\$0.00
Total	\$5.19

Savings -Money Market	.70%	0.80%	
Beginning balance			\$6,870.25
Deposit (interest)			\$4.67
		subtotal	\$6,874.92
			\$6,874.77

Checking				
	Beginning balance			\$718.66
	Deposits			\$607.07
		Sub total		\$1,325.73
	Expenses			\$251.61
		Checking total		\$1,073.89

Checking	Total Funds MVPC	\$7,953.85
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Deposits			
7 single	Memberships PP		\$256.19
1 single	Memberships PP		\$35.22
3 single	membership cash		\$105.00
3 single	Membership PP		\$105.66
3 single	Membership cash		\$105.00
			\$607.07

Expenses			
	Zoom Subscription		\$172.89
	paypal mistake		\$78.95

Reimbursed on next month
paypal bill

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Salons – Daniel Vande Vusse, Al Kiecker, Kevin Corrigan

Due Date	Salon Date	Topic	Media	Judge?	Nr Entries	Nr Members
9/5/2024	9/17/2024	Enjoying Life	Digital	Don Tredinnick	61	16
10/3/2024	10/24/2024	Vintage	Print	Steve Simmer	32	8
11/7/2024	11/21/2024	Action/Motion/Speed	Digital	Bob Lundquist	47	13
1/2/2025	1/23/2025	By the Water	Print	Yes		
2/6/2025	2/27/2025	Urban Nature	Digital	Yes		
3/6/2025	3/27/2025	Tree (nature rules)	Print	No		
4/3/2025	4/24/2025	Event (photojournalism rules)	Digital	Yes		
5/1/2025	5/22/2025	Landscape	Print	Yes		
5/1/2025	6/4/2025	Year End	Both	Adam Grim		

Program Chair – Rick Graves- Nov Update from Rick

Date	Presenter	Title/Subject	Remote/In-person	Comment	Fee?
9/5/2024	Deanne Probst	Adapting Vintage Lenses	In Person		No
10/3/2024	Tennessee Rick Elliot	Portraits	Remote		No
11/7/2024	Don Tredinnick	Iceland	In Person		No
12/5/2024	Members	Slideshows	In Person		No
1/2/2025	David duChemin	The Heart of the Photograph	Pre-recorded Video	90 minutes	No
2/6/2025	Kevin Corrigan	Bird Photography	In Person		No
3/6/2025	Bill Cooper	Renewing and Deepening our Love of Photography	In Person		Yes?
4/3/2025	John Gregor	Photography Education – Navajo Nation	Tentative In Person		Probably
5/1/2025	Terry Butler	Black and White	In Person		No
6/5/2025	Salon Committee	Year End Awards	In Person		No

- Per Rick - November program seemed to be well received. There were 4 or 5 guests in attendance. In-person attendance was 29, 8 on Zoom.
- January program is a prerecorded video presentation. I will prepare a description for the membership in early December.
- Rick updated the TCACCC Programs list for the council

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- Added an update to the councils list of programs to include remote only presenters
- Janie Lawson N4C rep from the Des Moines Camera Club is offering three presentations and/or recordings them. One is free and was the same evening as our club meeting. The other two are \$50 each for the club and are on dates noted below. Are we interested?
 - Jim Zuckerman - Taking a Photo From Good To Great through Post-Processing - 11/05/2024, 7:00-8:30pm (free for other clubs). <https://www.jimzuckerman.com/>
 - Tony Sweet - Photographing Near Home - 01/07/2025, 7:00-8:30pm (\$50 for additional clubs). <https://tonysweet.com/>
 - Note that Tony Sweet, a Nikon Legend Behind the Lens, is the all day presenter for the Spring Break in 2025. It is unknown if the above presentation will be a duplicate of one at Spring Break
 - Charles Needle - Impressionistic Photography: How to Use Your Camera (or Smartphone) as a Paintbrush - 03/04/2025, 7:00-8:30pm (\$50 for additional clubs). <https://charlesneedlephoto.com/>
- Motion to approve both programs by Rob Hubbard, second by Daniel Vande Vusse
 - Motion passed.

Activities / Photographers Playground – Don Tredinnick

- Minnesota Sculpture Garden After Dark is scheduled for Nov. 19 and Small Town Christmas is slated for Dec. 17.
- Considering a road trip to Bentleyville in Duluth as a possible activity.
- Was checking with Julie Ackerman to see if she has plans for activities.
- Rick will aid with planning any activities that require meeting rooms.

Publicity – Phil Davies, Joy Kamano

- Announcement was posted for Don’s November program on Craigs List, Facebook, the Patch website (60,000 individual impressions of the Patch).
- Phil is planning to print Club brochures for distribution this fall and for use at Spring Break–still looking for a printer that will give us a good deal.

Exhibits - Lorrie Dahlman and Carrie Rebischke – Nov Update emailed from Lorrie

- The Eagan Community Center exhibit has been dismantled due to the building renovation in progress. It is uncertain at this time whether a display case or alternative exhibit space will be available to the Club following the renovation.
- MVPC Lakeville City Hall/ Lakeville Area Arts Center exhibit- More than 20 prints have been collected for display. The exhibit will be installed at Lakeville City Hall on December 3, 2024 and will remain until January 16, 2025. The exhibit will then be installed at Lakeville Area Arts Center and will remain until February 27. Exhibit duration at each location is 6 weeks (12 weeks total). Participating club members are: Rick Graves, Al Kiecker, Bev Kiecker, Kevin Corrigan, Craig Peterson, Ken Cheung, Roy Larson, Janie O'Connor, John Corey, Carrie Rebischke.

Website – Joe Santos

- Email Lists (A reminder)

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- The table below lists all the emails that are currently set up in Googlegroups and GoDaddy and how they function and where to manage the personal emails that are listed. The Webmaster builds and maintains all the lists

mvpboard@googlegroups.com	All board members	Manage in Googlegroups
mvpinfo@googlegroups.com	President, Secretary, Treasurer and Publicity	Manage in Googlegroups
mvpclub@googlegroups.com	All current members	Manage in Googlegroups
To be built, when needed	Inactive Members	Manage in Googlegroups
mvpclub@googlegroups.com	Personal emails of salon group	Manage in Googlegroups
n4c-entries-to-mvpc@googlegroups.com	Personal emails of N4C Judging Team	Manage in Googlegroups
mvpclub-zoom@googlegroups.com	Personal emails of Zoom Hosts	Manage in Googlegroups
webmaster@minnesotavalleyphotoclub.org	Personal email of Webmaster	Manage in GoDaddy

- Club Calendar – Update?
 - *Reminder: All Committee Chairs need to supply timely information for the club calendar, as needed.*
- Provide any activity pictures via upload app to be posted on site – this will help keep things fresh

Facilities – vacant

- Rick contacted Tanya Mozingo regarding the locked doors at Nov meeting so that she would be aware
- December meeting
 - Rick to contact Tanya Mozingo to request an earlier start time (6:30pm) (complete 11/13/2024)
 - Do we have a volunteer to coordinate December meeting, image show and potluck?
 - Becky will bring plates, cups, utensils, water
 - Rick to email meeting info to club members (complete 11/13/2024)
 - Carry forward from the August 6, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes for reference:
 - Have been asked to move December Potluck meeting to a different room due to conflict with the training room. The room is slightly smaller with no sink but has projector and screen. There is an elevator as well as the upper parking lot for access.
- ISD 191 Note (keep this note until we use the credit)
 - Contact at ISD 191 for facilities use is Kyle Hinrichsen at 952 707-4123
 - We have \$210 - \$140 = \$70 credit remaining toward use of facilities.
 - The cost of rooms varies between \$25 and \$35 per hour.
 - Larger rooms are \$35.
 - Classroom style rooms range from \$20 to \$30 per hour.
 - Room requests require 14 days' notice!
 - Certificate Liability of Insurance Requirement

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- the insurance requirement applies only to groups above 75 participants and anyone who requests use of the gymnasium.
 - They no longer offer food service onsite, so it is permissible to bring in outside food.
 - No alcohol policy on all School properties
- Updates on Club Equipment??
- Discussion of club owned microphone system (used for Zoom at meetings). Preliminary survey of possibilities seemed quite expensive (\$400 and above). Further discussion and review is necessary.
- Motion to research microphones for Zoom and spend a maximum of \$500 on a microphone system by Bev Kiecker, second by Deb Sunderman. Motion passes.

TCACCC Rep – Craig Peterson

- Council meeting Thursday Oct 10th
 - Terry Butler has everything set for Spring Break (Dates, Location, Main Speaker).
 - Terry Butler is working with Joe Santos to create online submission of Interclub entries which will be a big help going forward.
 - When will communication begin to members?

Eagan Rep – Ken Cheung

- Upcoming events are noted in emails to club members
- **December Potluck meeting** moving to a different room due to conflict with event in the training room

PSA Rep – Bev Kiecker

- PSA Round 1 (Nov 1) entries Submitted

N4C Digital – Terri Greenberg

- **N4C statistics** – Currently 853 Members for 29 Clubs = Average of 29 members per club. Based upon 2024-2025 N4C Directory updates.
- N4C Clubs who have gone to inactive since 2018-2019.
 1. Fort Dodge Camera Club (2021-2022)
 2. Cedar Rapids Camera Club (2023-2024)
 3. Lindgerwood Camera Club (2022-2023)
 4. North Metro Camera Club (2020-2021)
 5. Color Shooters Davenport, IA (2022-2023)
 6. RV Digital Camera Club (due to death of George Bebout)
 7. Sioux Falls Camera Club (2024-2025)
 8. Cheyenne Camera Club (2018-2019)
 9. Williston Camera Club (2019-2020)

N4C Judging Team – Rob Hubbard

- Feedback on the Altered Digital Reality judging?
- This month MVPC is judging for Digital Journalism
- Still need one more judge for November

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- Upcoming February 2025 MVPC judges B&W

Historian – Becky Bergmann

- No report

Past President – Rick Graves

- No report

Action Items

- None

Old Business

New Business

- **New memberships** – who emails the new members with a Salon number?
 - Discussion included having someone reach out to visitors, thank them for visiting and invite them back to a subsequent meeting

Adjournment

Moved by Deb Sunderman, second Rob Hubbard, motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 9:03pm

Rick Graves for Brian Bauman

Attachment – Room Technical Difficulties Recommendations

I think we need an AV team. Right now if I do not show up, I am not certain we will have a meeting. Put together a process document. Normal operation and fall back procedures. The AV team shows up 30 minutes before and setup / tests, installs fall back solutions as needed. I do not always get to focus on this, supporting the salon, etc, prior to the start of the meeting.

I also think we need to be prepared for equipment failures. It will happen. It happens at work, we just move to another room. We do not have that option.

Resources we need to hold a meeting;

Presentation Laptop - currently the Club Laptop - New should be reliable, I still bring mine as a spare just in case.

Monitor laptop - Currently my laptop. - See what is being "broadcast". Mute participants who have not muted themselves, Used to test the setup prior to the meeting. Need a wireless headset to listen in to the audio. Could it be done using a phone / tablet as a backup? An AV team member needs to be monitoring this.

Projector - Club has one, we should confirm it works and bring it. Just need a wall if the screen does not come down. We had one meeting where it finally started working just a few minutes before the meeting.

Sound - Club should have a speaker system, just a decent set of PC speakers is likely good enough. May plug into the same adaptor as the microphones.

Internet - Would need someone with a phone that supports a hotspot and unlimited data, This has never been an issue, so far.

Audience microphone wrangler. - AV team member to move mic to participants in the audience for questions / comments / introduction.

Extension cord and power strip for projector and sound system.

USB C hub, with USB 3 ports. Plug in the microphone adapter, Microphone power supply, USB drives with presentations.

Daniel