

Minutes of the Williamson County Art Guild Member Meeting Held on May 11th, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Lynn Kessel at 6:30 pm.

Review of Financial Report:

There was no Treasurers report given.

Old Business: None

New Business and Announcements:

Karen Limbaugh discussed available opportunities to be the “Artist of the Month” at the WCAG Gallery.

Jessica Cook described her upcoming June 6 class on “Expressive Birds in Mixed Media.”

Jennifer Polnaszek reminded attendees about the other scheduled workshops/classes (details available on the WCAG web site).

It was announced that tickets for the June 50th Year Anniversary event will be available for purchase in June. There was a brief discussion of several planning details for the event. Exhibit Chair, Patti Wojtowecz added a heads-up that the CFA for the associated art exhibit would be coming soon.

Lynn gave an overview of the roles and responsibilities of WCAG leaders and team assistants who work with many of them in order to distribute duties and work loads. An appeal was made for a social media coordinator to assist the Publicity Chair.

Per By-Laws, the WCAG Nominating Committee (Earleen Allen, Chair) made the **Motion: that the following slate of Board Nominees be elected for the June 2026 – May 2027 Fiscal Season:**

President	Evie Walberg
President-Elect	Karyn Derby
Past-President	Lynn Kessel
Treasurer	Theresa Wayne
Secretary	Susan Reitmann
Membership	Patrick O’Brien
Gallery Chair	Courtney Brewer
Exhibit Chair	Patti Wojtowecz
Publicity	Lesley Bradstreet
Parliamentarian	Earleen (Braly-Allen) Bartholomew
Newsletter	Susan Craig
Hospitality	Kat Zinna
Webmaster	Patrick O’Brien
Program	Jessica Cook

(No second was required since it came from a committee). Before any vote was taken, the members present were asked if there were any nominations to be made from the floor. Current Board Member, Allison Walker, nominated member, Gary Hook, for the position of Webmaster in opposition to the nominee for that position on the Committee’s nomination slate.

There were no other nominations from the floor for this or any other Board position. There was a period of discussion, and each of the competing candidates were given a brief time to speak

to the membership present. ~~After some additional discussion voiced by a number of other attendees, there was a call to order, and a motion: "to end discussion and conduct the vote"~~ by Ted Keller. **After some additional discussion voiced by a number of other attendees, the vote was taken.** Per By-Laws, a secret ballot vote was conducted both for all opposed and unopposed Board positions. The paper ballots were distributed, collected and counted by members of the Nominating Committee. The results of the first secret ballot were as follows:

All unopposed nominees were elected.

The vote between Patrick O'brien and Gary Hook for Webmaster ended in a tie.

A second secret ballot vote was taken for the Webmaster office, and Gary Hook received the majority of the votes from the attending members.

Thus, for the record: The following elected 2026-27 Season Board Members were officially elected and will be installed at the June Meeting.

President: Evie Walberg

Past President: Lynn Kessel

President Elect: Karyn Derby

Treasurer: Theresa Wayne

Secretary: Susan Reitmann

Membership Chair: Patrick O'brien

Gallery Chair: Courtney Brewer

Exhibit Chair: Patti Wojtowecz

Publicity Chair: Lesley Bradstreet

Parliamentarian: Earleen (Brady-Allen) Bartholomew

Newsletter Chair: Susan Craig

Hospitality Chair: Kat Zinna

Webmaster: Gary Hook

Program Chair: Jessica Cook

Guest presenter, member, Kyle Wright, gave a presentation titled: "Web Page Design."

Other Board Members and Coordinator Reports: None

The Challenge Theme: There were no attendees accepting the art challenge showed their work which fit the theme, "The Internet."

Summary of actions assigned and actionees: None

Meeting Adjournment: Lynn closed the Meeting at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted by (Electronically Signed By): *Ted W. Keller*

Date: May 11, 2026

Date these minutes were approved by the Board: _____

(Note: after approval, these minutes are to be added for permanent access to the various archives specified by the President and By-Laws)