GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS Meeting Minutes of November 9, 2014

Lorie Reece called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All board members were in attendance. The invocation was given by Jeanne Abraham. Lorie thanked everyone for coming.

Lorie asked if there were any corrections to the September minutes as printed in the Newsletter.. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved.

Lorie asked If there were any questions regarding the treasurer's report. Hearing no questions, the treasurer's report was approved.

Lorie advised that SDP has offered our chapter two free memberships. Names were drawn and the two winners were: Joan Reilly and Liz Colvin.

The voting for 2015 Board Members was next. Jean Lindsey, our Nominating Chait, introduced those members running for office. Ellen Rohne for Vice President, Vada Galvan for Membership Secretary, Marilyn Hartnett for Newsletter Editor, Debbie Finklang for Recording Secretary, and Donna Wessel for Treasurer. Jean asked if there were any other nominations for any of these offices. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations were closed. Gloria Falk made a motion to accept the ballot and Barb Ogden seconded this. All were in favor and motion carried.

Cheryll reminded everyone on the Gold Brush Committee that they would have a meeting immediately after our regular meeting today.

Cheryll advised that we have 33 members present today and 4 guests. The guests are Diana Gilber, Shelia Prusacki, DeLane Lange, and Linda Young.

Door prizes were donated by: Ellen Rohne, Linda Nelson, and Gloria Falk. Winners were: Michelle Senn, Debbie Christenson, Marilyn Hartnett, Ingrid Oertli, Donna Wessel and Judy West. Cheryll mentioned that she has Decorative Painter books for our guests.

Cheryll reminded everyone that dues for 2015 is now due and should be paid by the first of December if you want your name included in our directory.

Debbie advised that the projects submitted for Retreat are on display today and are to be voted on by all those who are planning to attend Retreat. She has the ballots for voting. Vote for 6 projects. Retreat will held at Trout Lodge this year on March 27th, 28th and 29th. Reservations for rooms should be made by the end of November. Their phone number is 314-241-9622. Room rates are \$10.00 less than in the fall.

Winners of the 50/50 drawing were: Peggy Araki and Carol Rufkahr.

The Projects brought in for Show 'n Tell were shown next.

Mary Jo Kumer gave a report on Memory Boxes. So far this year, we have mailed 323 boxes out. Ginger German will be teaching the next paint-in at the bank. Mary Jo will be teaching the January paint-in. The 2015 dates will be in the next Newsletter. Peggy Araki painted the beautiful Roses on all the boxes that are on display today.

Barb announced that the Christmas Party will be at Andre's on Telegraph Road on Sunday, November 30th. We will have a cookie and ornament exchange. If you are interested in the cookie exchange, please bring 3

dozen cookies, packaged in 6 packages with 6 cookies in each package.

We have two seminars scheduled for next year. Bobbie Campbell in acrylics on June 26th, 27th and 28th. Cost will be \$50.00 per day, Cheri Rol in oils on October 16th, 17th and 18th. Cost will be \$60.00 per day. A one day fee must be paid at the time of sign up to hold your space. Both seminars will be held at the Holiday Inn Express.

Both original paintings from Mark Polomchak are on display. One is a seascape and the other is grapes. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

Lorie will be teaching the paint-in after today's meeting. It is an ornament and the cost is \$1.50.

An announcement was made that Barb Ogden has a new grand baby - a girl. She also has pictures to show.

Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to close the meeting and this was seconded by Liz McClintock. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Rogenhofer Recording Secretary