

**Minutes of a Members' meeting of the
Focus Group Camera Club
September 12, 2017**

A duly called and constituted members' meeting of the Focus Group Camera Club was held on September 12, 2017, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at River Road Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Virginia.

The President opened the meeting, welcomed guests, and made announcements.

Board Member Stephen Retherford reminded the members that the Club's show at Richmond's Health Brigade was coming up, and there will be an opening reception at the Health Brigade's offices on September 28th.

The Club's Show and Tell was next, in which member Bill Piper showed a new print, produced for him by Bay Photo, on a flexible satin material mounted in an aluminum frame.

Vice President John Garofalo next announced that the Club's program for this meeting would be an extended Round Table, in which members would show their recent photographs. Jeanne Schlesinger exhibited recent images of leaves and butterflies; Bill Billings showed summer shots of the recent solar eclipse; Gilpin Brown offered pictures of new friends met this summer; Al Warfield showed shots of the moon, sun and eclipse; Richard Schieken displayed images of a recent family trip to Montreal, Canada; Cyane Lowden offered photographs from her summer travels; Steve Baranoff showed pictures of out-of-season birds; and Bob Coles offered several new and rediscovered images.

The President next called for a business session, in which the following actions were taken:

The Membership Committee welcomed Phyllis Meyerhoff as a new Club member;

The Exhibits Committee announced a schedule for the Club's upcoming Photography shows;

The Field Trips Committee described several trips that are being organized for the current year, and solicited suggestions and preferences from members.

The President next stated that the Club may discontinue its newsletter, due to an apparent lack of member interest, and asked for the views of the members;

Bill Piper encouraged the further development of the Club's Facebook page, as a means of broadening public awareness of, and interest in, the FGCC.

The President next indicated that he would be circulating an email poll, asking for member input on the Club's activities, goals and objectives, which would assist the Board of Directors during the coming year. Members were also asked to provide their views on possible improvements in the Club's Round Table.

And nothing further remaining to be done, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Durwood Felton, Secretary