# FOCUS GROUP CAMERA CLUB Club Meeting Minutes September 9, 2024

## Call to order

A meeting of Focus Group Camera Club was held at River Road Presbyterian Church, Richmond, VA on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and was called to order at 7:34 pm by Charlie Stout, President. Member attendees included Gene Harris, Secretary; Lloyd Chaser, Treasurer and Past President; Bob Papas, Charles Krumbein, Cindy Krumbein, Jay Denny, Stephen Retherford, and Cyane Lowden.

## Agenda:

### **GUEST WELCOME**

One guest was in attendance: Richmond photographer Bill Draper.

#### SUMMER CHALLENGE

The Summer Challenge was to pick your own challenge to work on during the summer hiatus. Images were presented by Cyane Lowden, who challenged herself to make virtual curled prints using Photoshop; Jay Denny, who chose "Summer Pictures" as his challenge; Lloyd Chaser, who presented several images of old houses; and Stephen Retherford, who presented summer pictures from various locales.

Charlies took an informal poll, asking attendees whether the club should continue with monthly challenges. The consensus was yes, we should.

The summer challenge is for members to pick an individual project and work on it through the summer.

#### **PROGRAM**

For the evening's program, Charlie presented a demonstration of printing photos on metal at home. He detailed the techniques involved and the materials needed, and presented several examples.

### **UPCOMING PROGRAM**

The program for October is TBD.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- The Treasurer's report indicates a current balance of \$4,928.58, with expenditures of \$25 for web hosting, and \$250 for rental of the church meeting space through December of 2024. Annual dues are now payable.

#### FGCC BOARD MEETING AUGUST 29th

- Charlie informed the attendees that the club's board met on August 29<sup>th</sup>, and he related some of the subjects the board discussed, including important club functions that need volunteers to operate properly, especially arranging monthly programs. He reiterated the leadership of the club committees, as follows: Exhibits (Stephen Retherford), Field Trips (Bob Papas), and Membership (Cyane Lowden and Cindy Krumbein).

#### IDEAS FOR FIELD TRIPS

- A few ideas for possible club field trips were discussed, including a "bus" or carpool to the Mid-Atlantic Photo Visions in Manassas, Virginia in November; a trip to the Flying Circus in Bealeton, Virginia; and various airshows coming up in Virginia Beach.

## **ROUNDTABLE**

Lloyd Chaser and Stephen Retherford each presented images for the Roundtable.

### FEEDBACK REQUESTS

Jay Denny presented an image for club member discussion and feedback.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Harris, Secretary