
FOCUS GROUP CAMERA CLUB

Club Meeting Minutes June 9th, 2025

Call to order

A meeting of Focus Group Camera Club was held at River Road Presbyterian Church, Richmond, VA on Monday, June 9th, 2025 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; Charles Krumbein, Cindy Krumbein, Ric Anderson, Bob Papas, Vicky Eicher, Gary Johnson, Bob Waldrop, Nicola Williamson, Stephen Retherford, Chuck Janus, and Ric Bream.

No guests were in attendance except our program presenter for the evening, Francis Thompson.

Agenda:

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

The Monthly Challenge was “50mm.” All images were to have been shot using only the 50mm focal length. Images were submitted by Bob Papas, Ellen Martin, Gary Johnson, Lloyd Chaser, and Ric Anderson..

The challenge for the summer is to create a photo series, maximum 20 images. These images will comprise the September meeting’s program.

PROGRAM

The program was presented by Francis Thompson, Art Program Manager for Capital One. He spoke about his background in Arts Administration and how he eventually came to manage Capital One’s Art Program, their art collection, and their work with artists and the community.

BUSINESS MEETING

TREASURER’S REPORT

- The Treasurer’s report indicates a current balance of \$4,635. Charlie opined that he thought we should be looking for ways to use this money more, that we aren’t in the business of just collecting \$60 from each member each year and then sitting on the money.

PROGRAMS

- The club still needs a Vice President, whose main duty is to coordinate monthly programs.

FIELD TRIPS

- Bob Papas suggested a possible field trips to the Airshow in Bealeton, VA on June 29th, and to the Air & Balloon Show on Sept 20th at the same location. He also mentioned that a “Strawberry Moon” was on tap for the night of June 10th and that Luck Stone would be a good location for capturing that.

OTHER BUSINESS

- The Nominating Committee was unable to find any club members willing to serve as President or Vice President. Gene Harris and Lloyd Chaser agreed to continue as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. The board members (Charlie Stout, Gene Harris, Lloyd Chaser) agreed to meet soon to discuss how to handle the lack of a President and Vice President. There was some discussion about perhaps restructuring the club, and perhaps a “volunteer President” for each meeting. Charlie will keep on as acting President until something can be figured out. The membership voted to accept the slate of officers as it stood for the coming year.

ROUNDTABLE

Bob Papas, and Lloyd Chaser presented images for the Roundtable.

Adjournment

There being no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Harris, Secretary