## J. Lowe Gallery Committee Sunday, February 10, 2013 12:30-3 p.m. at the Gallery APPROVED MINUTES

Present: Fred Guzman, Marco Vera, Israel Ortega, Bernardo Olmedo, Jorge Estrada and Carol Hegarty

- 1. Consideration of Earth Day proposal. It was decided that we would work with Ivan Soto on his proposal to move the Earth Day show from El Centro to the Science building. We decided to have a reception on Thursday, April 11 in the Science building.
- 2. Upcoming Ulloa exhibit and Imperial Valley Artists Collective drawing show: Carol said she would contact Martha Sanchez, Domingo Ulloa's daughter to firm up the projected show. Fred and Marco said they would launch an open call for art of all mediums, not just drawing. Some artwork would be collected at Marco's gallery Mexicali Rose and brought up. Israel mentioned that he has been having an increasingly hard time bringing artwork back and forth over the border. Therefore, the artwork from Mexicali would be limited to 20" by 24". Carol said she would look into what kind of paperwork is necessary.

The opening reception for the IVAC/Mexicali Rose Show is 4-7 p.m. Thursday, March 7.

Marco said he has a show ready for the Science building: large banners of Bearded Men. It was decided we would work that in. We want to have a closing reception for Joel Jimenez's artwork that has been in the Science building most of the academic year.

3. High School and IVC Student exhibit. Fred and Carol are going to work on the high school exhibit. Carol will do the IVC student exhibit. We need donations for prizes for both.

Veteran exhibit for May which is Veteran's month or when can we do this? No documents at this point for this proposal.

We decided we are not able to do the Veteran's show in May because there is no one to gallery sit at that time, but may be able to do it later next year, perhaps in the Science building. Carol will notify the people who verbally made an inquiry about the show.

4. Next year's main exhibits were set:

Aug./Sept.: Coachella Valley/Date Farmers

Oct.: Day of Dead, open call

Nov./Dec.: Jennifer Cuellar, Ernesto Yerena and Daniel Gibson

Jan. Feb.: Alonzo Elias collection/Christina Curry

March: Tijuana artists

April/May: IVC and high school student shows

5. Other: It was decided to invite Luis Hernandez and Linda Frietas to be on the gallery committee. Fred suggested that Neal Hitch, the director of the Desert Museum, be invited to the next meeting to increase networking and communication. Both were passed unanimously. Marco mentioned that Carol should contact Todd Evangelist about Matt Desert and his wife (Randy Carson's sister) wanting to make a donation to the gallery.

Addendum to minutes: Carol talked with Martha Sanchez about showing her father Domingo Ulloa's artwork. Martha said she would like to lend the work for a show, but the work must be insured. This necessitated the show to be put off until the gallery can afford to insure artwork. Carol did contact Todd about the possible Desert donation and will contact him again about it. Carol still needs to make some contacts about the paperwork for getting artwork across the border.