

**Minutes of the Northern Virginia Bead Society
General [Zoom] Meeting – April 7, 2022**

The general meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by president Sherry Ellis. The business meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. Approximately 26 members participated.

Business Meeting

We have volunteers. Arlene Sheras will be Treasurer. Jennifer Dooley will be Program Logistics Liaison. Paulette Baron has volunteered to be Vice President.

Bylaws will be rewritten. We have a member who has government experience with bylaws and non-profit organizations.

There was a suggestion to help with Ukrainian support. There is a Ukrainian seller on Etsy.

There is an upcoming show on April 23 in Howard County – Chesapeake – where minerals, fossils, and gems will be available for purchase.

Prices for current NVBS workshops will be going up after the cutoff date for member discounts. Even if a member registers after that cutoff date, the higher price will be in effect, not the discounted member price.

Stephanie Burnham's Mad Hatter workshop does not require purchasing a kit. However, the head is only available with the full kit.

Paulette discussed next month's Auction. There are lots of kits and Caren Smith will be donating more of her hand-crafted cabochons. Paulette is still looking for donations. Past teachers have donated kits although Miriam Shimon did not provide a donation. As with last year's auction, an online PowerPoint file will be sent before the auction. Minimum bids will be displayed in the file. PayPal was used for payment last year and will be used again this year.

Last year, there was overlap with the auction items and it was difficult to determine who had bid on which item and what the final bid was. This year, only one item will be offered at a time, so there will be no overlap, which should minimize confusion. The auction will be held on May 5, which is our usual meeting date, and will be held in the Zoom format.

Program

Hannah Rosner gave a presentation on tambour bead embroidery, complete with photos and videos. Videos will be sent to members by request after the meeting.

It may also be possible for Sherry to share the presentation, perhaps by PDF or DropBox email. Hannah offered a sale on her Etsy site – 50% off all tutorials prior to April 11.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 pm