

Monthly Business Meeting
November 19, 2009

President, Rosemarie Marsh opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

The main topic for the evening was about digital make-up for competitions. Mike DiStefano spoke about the history of rules for make-up in digital. At first images were brought in on the night of competition, but this proved time consuming and led to e-mail submission. Once that was done, due to the fact that members could send their images in well in advance, make-up images for digital competition were no longer allowed by the competition committee.

There was much member discussion about what would happen on competition night if make-ups were allowed, such as more images, the time frame involved and questions of fairness. It was then suggested that a special allowance be made regarding digital make-up for hospital stays, long term illness, etc. and discussion continued about wanting digital rules to be no more restrictive than film rules.

At this time a motion was made to allow for digital make-ups in competition following the existing rules. Motion was passed.

Dan Charbonnet presented an adjustment to the PSA rules on Nature. First, the new HDR technique is now permitted as is the blurring of backgrounds, however there is still no cloning or replacing of elements.

Meeting closed at 8:05 p.m.