

Executive Session 8/4/2010

Meeting called to order at 1010.

10 Board Members Present

5 Board Members Absent: Sally Dickinson, Sue Franklin, Donata Pfisterer, Judy Gilmartin, Joan Swanson

1 Guild Member Requested: Jo Cady-Bull

Attendees: Kathy Harris, Kathy Zimmer, Joline Albaugh, Mary Bazzano, Nancy Landon, Colleen Babcock, Marie Morris, Shellie Whitman, Mary Perry, Jo Cady-Bull.

DISCUSSION:

Kathy Zimmer presented issues that the Show Chairs have been presented with the Gift Gallery.

1. Given the guild's financial responsibility, Jo Cady Bull was asked to survey the past records of the Gift Gallery (GG). Results of the survey demonstrated that the GG has not been financially advantageous relative to the set-up costs not exclusive of square footage, materials (drapes, tables, electrical, etc.) etc. Additionally, the survey revealed that the same number of participants have utilized the GG despite the guild's growth.
2. Further, storeroom costs for the GG are currently \$935 per year. Ms. Peebles was asked in May to review and discard items in the GG storeroom in an attempt to reduce required space and therefore the financial cost.
3. The Show Directors met with Delilah and asked her to:
 - a. Initiate a \$10 registration fee to participant.
 - b. Increase the payout to the Guild from 15% to 18% to cover the cost of the credit card services, cost of space, materials, etc.
 - c. Allow space for Quilting for Others (a guild function) to sell donated gifts.

Despite this request, Ms. Peebles, without approval, announced in the Newsletter that the Registration fee would be \$12 and the payout would remain at 15%. Moreover, Ms. Peebles has been increasingly recalcitrant in her responses, or lack of, to the show directors.

NOTE: Discussion with the guild's CPA maintains that the income and expenses must stay within the show committee budget. Basically, it is not feasible for the guild to allow subsidizing of the GG.

The Board as a whole discussed solutions. Outcome as follows:

1. Marie Morris moved that Delilah Peebles be removed from the Gift Gallery Chair position and that a Registered and Certified letter be sent to Ms. Peebles from the President. Motion was seconded by Nancy Landon. Motion was approved unanimously.

2. Mary Perry moved that the guild and quilt show have grown beyond the benefit of having a GG and that the GG should be dispensed with based on the financial feasibility. Motion was seconded by Nancy Landon. Motion was approved unanimously.
3. Motion was made by Marie Morris that GG vendors could form a separate co-op to purchase space in the existing vendor area. Further that the co-op could utilize existing GG display materials currently stored in the storeroom for their space at no cost for this year. Motion was seconded by Nancy Landon. Motion was approved unanimously.
4. NOTE: Ms. Whitman and Ms. Cady-Bull did not vote on any of the foregoing solutions.

Mary Perry suggested that by dispensing with the GG the guild may be able to change their organization status to a 501C-3. Request that this status be researched for discussion at future meeting.

Marie Morris motioned to adjourn at 10:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted – Shellie Whitman