

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
May 4, 2011

Meeting called to order by Mary Meserve at 9:30 am.

- 11 Board members present.
- 7 Committee Chairs present.

Attendees: Joline Albaugh, Colleen Babcock, Mary Bazzano, Jo Cady-Bull, Laura Cotter, Cathy Dargel, Sally Dickinson, Sue Franklin, Evelyn George, Judy Gilmartin, Kathy Harris, Kay Hendricks, Ruth Martin, Mary Meserve, Marie Morris, Carolyn Moser, Donata Pfisterer, Kathryn Wald, Alice Wilder, Kathy Zimmer

Secretary: Minutes distributed by email 4/9/2011. Motion to approve minutes by Marie Morris; seconded by Jo Cady-Bull. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Joan Swanson	May 4, 2011
Checking Acct.	2,910.45
Savings Acct.	55,214.98
Petty Cash	200.00
Fixed Assets	Accumulated Depreciation
Equipment-Fixed assets	9,177.47
State Farm Bond Fund	Unrestricted
State Farm CD #1	8,043.90
State Farm CD #2	8,037.16
State Farm CD #3	7,532.79
Money Market	State Farm
Restricted Bond Fund	Endowment Account
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Total Assets	145,065.36

The treasurer's report was read by Sally Dickinson.

Motion to approve treasurer's report by Laura Cotter; seconded by Sue Franklin. Motion passed.

Vice President/By-Laws: Kathy Harris

- Kathy reported that we continue to have problems with members giving out personal information about other Guild members, in violation of Guild policy. Kathy placed an announcement in the newsletter again this month about this ongoing problem. She will make a verbal announcement at the general meetings next week.
- Kathy is considering adding a statement to the bylaws that would provide for a suspension of membership to anyone who freely gives out member's personal information.

Endowment/Donations: Carolyn Moser

- The announcement about Grants and Donations was left on the website with an additional statement that currently we have no funds available for these programs. The deadline for applications has been removed until the situation changes.

Quilt Show: Donata Pfisterer/Kathy Zimmer

- Co-chairs are needed for Demonstrations and Publicity.

- Plans for the Small Quilt Auction are proceeding. A live auctioneer has been recruited and confirmed. Fabric for the black drape has been located and needs to be ordered. A recipient for the auction proceeds has not yet been identified.
- There is a potential problem with the dates for the 2013 show since a volleyball tournament has been scheduled for our preferred weekend. We may have to hold the show a week earlier.

Membership: Colleen Babcock

- The current membership of the Tucson Quilters Guild is 568 with 49 new members.
- A letter was sent to Maggie Hagen on April 14, 2011 denying her application for membership based on discussion and vote at the Guild's April Business meeting. Copies of the correspondence are available for permanent storage.
- The Tucson Quilters Guild Membership Brochure is being updated and will be distributed to the local quilt stores in the next couple of weeks. Colleen will send the brochure for proofreading before it goes to the printer.
- Kathryn will provide a photo of the raffle quilt.
- Colleen will share member interest as marked on the membership application applications with chairpersons for Programs, Education, and the Bee Keeper.
- Colleen has 20 sets of SASE for newsletter mailings.

Programs: Joline Albaugh/Judy Gilmartin

- May: Suzanne Marshall –4 spaces remaining in the embroidered Appliqué class. Both classes will be held in the classroom instead of the big hall – costs are lower and lighting is better for handwork.
- June: David Taylor – Classes are full.
- September: Sue Spargo – 14 openings in Greta; 13 openings in Altered Textiles.
- October: Cindy Brick – The Crazy Quilt class will fill; we may need to change the topic of the Triangles class.
- November: Cindy Needham (from Superior Threads) – currently 2 registrations.
- Almost all the 2013 positions have been filled. Announcement to be made next month with a list of speakers. Teachers are now asking for a 6 month no fault contract instead of the current 3 months.
- Sue Benner's classes had 10 drop outs, but 10 members quickly filled those spots. Her expenses were minimal because she stayed with a friend in Tucson.
- There has been no feedback on the announced Nadelstern policy.

Members-at-large: Marie Morris/Sue Franklin

- There have been no complaints or comments at this time. Marie asked for time on the Tuesday evening agenda so she can give members her email address for contact purposes.

Bears: Margaret Newman

- All bears have been given, more will be ordered in the fall.

Bees: Laura Cotter

- Laura had no news to report.

Block of the Month: Kay Hendricks/ Evelyn George

- June BOM is called the Denim Picnic Block. Bright scraps are to be used for sashing. Instructions are given for raw edge appliqué.
- Additional instructions are on the website and in the newsletter for a supplemental pattern to make a Denim Picnic Quilt.
- Pattern sets will be available for sale at the May and June meetings.

- Currently, BOM is paying its way with the sale of the pattern sets.

Corresponding Secretary: Laurie Mullins No report

Education: Ruth Martin

- Ruth has picked up the Education material from the storage facility.
- Ruth will place a request in the newsletter asking for volunteers to assist with education in the schools.
- There is a program planned by Ruth and Shari Thompson for October/November to be held at the Martha Cooper Library, in midtown to teach quilting to kids.
- Marie Morris suggested that Ruth contact Mary Givens, the assistant manager at the Valencia Library to offer a similar program for the south side. Mary Givens is also a quilter.

Guild Pins: Patty Kruse No report

Finance Committee: Carolyn Moser

- Finance Committee Meeting-Recommendation to the Tucson Quilters Guild
RE: **Tax exempt status 501 (c) 7 vs 501 (c) 3**
 - It is the unanimous recommendation of the Finance Committee members at the April 6, 2011 meeting that the Tucson Quilters Guild continue its 501 (c) 7 tax exempt status which is defined by the Internal Revenue Service as Social and Recreation Clubs which includes Hobby Clubs. (see attached explanation)
- The search for a bookkeeper is proving to be challenging since the ones Carolyn has called do not have the time to take on additional work. Carolyn is looking for a bookkeeper who is QuickBooks certified and has non profit experience.
- The CPA plans to complete our tax return by mid May before she leaves for her vacation.

Historian: Cathy Dargel

- No news to report this month,

Holiday Blocks: Shari Thompson No report

Hospitality: Christine McCollum No report

Library: Donata Pfisterer /Kathryn Wald

- The annual library sale is planned for next week. Prices will range from \$.25 to \$3.00.
- Donata has replaced nine titles in our library that were missing from the donated books. One of the missing 70 books has been returned.
- Kathryn reports that when she places a box right beside her in the library for returned books we experience less theft of books than when the book drop is placed in the hall.

Newsletter: Margaret Newman

- Due date for articles for the June Newsletter will be May 18.

Organizations:

- NQA Jo reported that the NQA journal, Quilting Quarterly, will be published 6 times a year, but the name will not change. The 2 additional issues will be 'Special Publications'. One will be a report from the annual quilt show in Columbus. The second will be an issue of projects.
 - The third installment of the mystery quilt designed by Jean Biddick and Jo Cady-Bull will be in the upcoming issue.
- AZ Quilters' Hall of Fame
 - The Centennial fabrics are in the quilt shops.

- Nominations for induction into the Hall of Fame for 2011, and for the Quilt Shop of the Year are due by May 16.

- Home of the Brave No report
- Quilt for a Cause – there are raffle tickets being sold at TMC as a fundraiser.

Quilt-a-thon: Evelyn George/Mary Bazzano/Kathryn Wald

- Kits have been made for distribution at the May and June meetings.

Quilting for Others: Mary Bazzano

- Mary is considering donating 10 quilts to World Care to be sent to Japan.

Raffle Quilts: Kathryn Wald

- 2012-The raffle quilt is quilted. Kathryn will work on the binding this weekend. Kathy Harris will photograph the completed quilt.
- 2013-Kathy is still gathering fabrics. She and her committee will then make kits to be given to members to complete.

Website: Meg Silvern No report

Old Business:

- Kathy Zimmer asked if we have any provisions in the bylaws about when to deny membership to an applicant. At this time we do not have any statement. Mary Meserve observed that we do have Director's liability insurance.
- Cathy Dargel reported that she has spoken with the Parole Office, Tom McGrath, for Maggie Hagen. Mr. McGrath supported our decision to deny membership to Maggie Hagen, and said that if we have any further problems to call him at 290-1535. He said our decision was a 'good call'.

New Business:

- The Pacific Rim Bee (Kathryn Wald) asked for permission to sell raffle tickets for a quilt made by the Pacific Rim Bee. Tickets will be sold at the May and June meetings. The drawing will be held at the Pacific Rim bee on July 21.
- Proceeds will be donated to the Japanese Red Cross. Permission was granted.

Meeting Adjourned at: 10:32 am.