

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
September 7, 2011

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

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

Attendees: Jolene Albaugh, Colleen Babcock, Mary Bazzano, Jo Cady-Bull, Peg Clampet, Laura Cotter, Sally Dickinson, Sue Franklin, Evelyn George, Judy Gilmartin, Kathy Harris, Marie Luongo, Ruth Martin, Mary Meserve, Christine McCollum, Marie Morris, Donata Pfisterer, Meg Silvern, Joan Swanson, Kathryn Wald, Kathy Zimmer

Secretary: Minutes distributed by email 8/6/2011. Motion to approve minutes by Sue Franklin; seconded by Kathy Harris. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Joan Swanson	September 7, 2011
Checking Acct.	2,452.44
Savings Acct.	200.00
Petty Cash	73,226.58
Fixed Assets	Accumulated Depreciation
Equipment-Fixed assets	-5,175.00
State Farm Bond Fund	Unrestricted
State Farm CD #1	32,854.40
State Farm CD #2	8,050.92
State Farm CD #3	8,050.11
Money Market	7,539.44
Restricted Bond Fund	State Farm
	537.23
	Endowment Account
	27,290.30
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Total Assets	164,203.89

Joan has had problems with mail being stolen from her mailbox. There were 3 or 4 membership applications with checks that she had placed in her box to go to Colleen for membership. Colleen never received these. Since it is not known who these applications were from Joan will make an announcement at the general meetings on September 13/14 about this missing mail. In the future when Joan receives mail with checks enclosed she will keep the checks and mark on the applications that the payment has been received and the amount.

Motion to approve treasurer's report by Kathy Harris; seconded by Jo Cady-Bull.

Vice President/By-Laws: Kathy Harris

- Kathy is working on changes to the By-laws.

Endowment/Donations: No report

Quilt Show: Donata Pfisterer/Kathy Zimmer

- Raffle tickets need to be delivered to each quilt shop along with the raffle quilt when it is to be displayed.
- Bookmarks for the Quilt Fiesta! will be ready next week. There have been some problems with the posters
- The State Centennial appliqué quilt will be displayed in our show in January.
- If we register out Guild with Hobbs batting then we may receive extra freebies.

Membership: Colleen Babcock

- The Tucson Quilters Guild currently has 619 members, 70 of them are new members.

- There are a couple of problems with mail and membership applications. We currently are missing 3-4 applications that were mailed from Joan Swanson to Colleen around the 23/24 of August. The package never got to me. Quilt show people need to be aware of this problem and send anyone who has an issue with membership to me during the regular meetings in September. We have no idea who these applications were from.
- The newsletters will be mailed after the meeting on Wednesday.
- By posting the newsletter on our website every month in lieu of mailing it to the majority of the membership we are saving over \$4,000 annually.

Programs: Joline Albaugh/Judy Gilmartin

- September: Sue Spargo – 2 spaces left in Altered textiles, 10 left in Greta
- October: Cindy Brick – 13 registered for Thursday, only 2 sign-ups for Friday
- November: Cindy Needham – space available in Linen Club
- February: Paula Nadelstern – 4 openings on Thursday, 8 on Friday
- March: Susan Cleveland – Sign-ups just beginning

Members-at-large: Marie Morris/Sue Franklin

- Sue received 2 positive responses to her welcome letter; one had a question about Quilt show entries.

Bears: Margaret Newman No report

Bees: Laura Cotter

- Summer has been slow – no news.

Block of the Month: Kay Hendricks/ Evelyn George

- October block is Midnight Pumpkin. Members can make a plain one or add features for a face.
- Pattern set sales will resume in September.

Corresponding Secretary: Laurie Mullins

- A card was sent to Mae Adkins for the death of her husband.
- It was noted that Judy Christiansen is hospitalized in ICU. A card should be sent.

Education: Ruth Martin

- A thank you to Margaret for putting a photo of the Martha Cooper Library quilt in the newsletter.

Guild Pins: Patty Kruse No report

Finance Committee: Marie Morris

- Joan has purchased a technical package for Quick Books. She can call anytime with questions she may have.
- All investment information is now displayed in spreadsheet format that has been provided to the Finance committee members.

Historian: Cathy Dargel

- Back issues of the newsletter have been scanned and the files have been delivered to Meg for the website. However, the files are very large and take a long time to open. It may be that the resolution is too high. Meg will try to change the properties to change to a lower resolution.

Holiday Blocks: Shari Thompson

- An article needs to go into the October newsletter to remind members to make a Holiday Block.

Hospitality: Christine McCollum

- Plans are underway to make a favor (small gift) for each attendee at the Holiday Celebration.

- Christine suggested that members be asked to bring a toy, clothing item or gift card for Christmas giving for needy kids and teens. Each donor will receive a raffle ticket for door prizes.

Library: Donata Pfisterer /Kathryn Wald

- Inventory was taken during the Quilt-a-thon. Books were repaired as needed.
- The library will be open at the September meetings.

Newsletter: Margaret Newman

- Margaret created 2 newsletters – one for the website with color photos, a second one for mailing without all the color photos.
- September 21 is the deadline for the October issue.

Nominating Committee

- Mary will work to recruit members for this committee at the September General meetings.

Organizations:

- NQA – No news
- AZ Quilters' Hall of Fame – Induction luncheon will be September 25 in Prescott. Nancy Landon will be a new inductee; Quilter's Market will be honored as Quilt Shop of the Year.
- Home of the Brave No news
- Quilt for a Cause –
 - Mystery Quilt at Sea is now full with 40 participants registered.
 - Lizzie B will be leading a workshop on a quilting cruise in September.
 - Michelle Watts has donated a pattern for QFAC sales.
 - Lizzie B plans to donate a pattern for QFAC sales.

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

- 30 members in attendance on Tuesday evening, about 70 on Wednesday.
- 80 quilts were finished; Mary took home an additional 25 to be finished.
- 60 quilts have been set aside for K.I.N.

Quilting for Others: Mary Bazzano

- There will be an article in the newsletter listing recipients of our charity quilts.
- Candle Lighters has asked for 100 pillowcases and 129 stockings.

Raffle Quilts: Kathryn Wald

- 2012 Quilt appraised for \$3,900. Currently it is at the Quilter's Market.
- 2013 Block packets are being made up. Kathy plans to hold a work party where members can work to get the blocks made up. This should help reduce the concern that blocks may not come back after members have taken a packet home.

Website: Meg Silvern

- Currently there are about 400 members on the mailing list.

Old Business:

- Ruth Martin shared more information about the SAAVI quilting project.
 - The goal is to have visually impaired senior citizens make quilts for visually impaired children.
 - The quilt classes would be held on Friday mornings from 9 – 11. There would be no more than 5 visually impaired seniors in each class. The plan is to have a one-on-one volunteer to work with each senior – 5 volunteers each week. If there is enough interest then 2 classes would be held. It was suggested that volunteers be organized into 4 teams so that each team

would work one day a month. Marie suggested that the bees could help provide volunteers for this project.

- Each volunteer would need to complete a 5 page application prior to working. The Lions Club has pledged some financial support for this project.
- Marie has a fabric cutter she is willing to donate that could be used to cut small circles to use for Braille dots in each appliqué picture block. Potentially 1,000's of dots would be needed for this project.
- The Guild has some rotary cutters, mats, and rulers, as well as fabric that can be used. Large eye needles, self threading needles, and/or threaders would need to be purchased.

New Business:

- The Arizona historical Society needs volunteers for the Centennial Quilt project.
 - A quilt frame is needed to be set up for visitors to sit and quilt awhile while at the museum.
 - Magnetic quilt pieces that can be manipulated are needed for a project for visitors to use.
 - Volunteers are needed for the 1st Saturday programs to help teach basic quilting classes.
 - The exhibition, 100 Years, 100 Quilts will open on 2/18/2012.
 - On the 2nd Saturday of each month there will be a Meet the Quilter with makers of the 100 quilts being asked to stand by their quilts to talk about the quilt and the project.
 - A quarterly program is planned for quilt study. CD's and the DVD are needed for this video exhibit.
 - Volunteers at the museum will receive free admission and free parking. Also, each volunteer may bring a guest.

Meeting Adjourned at: 10:48 am. Motion to adjourn by Colleen Babcock; seconded by Joan Swanson. Motion passed.