

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
February 1, 2012

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

- 9 Board members present.
- 9 Committee Chairs present.

Attendees: Joline Albaugh, Mary Bazzano, Jo Cady-Bull, Cathy Dargel, Sally Dickinson, Evelyn George, Kathy Harris, Colleen Hawkes, Kay Hendricks, Marie Luongo, Ruth Martin, Christine McCollum, Mary Meserve, Marie Morris, Laurie Mullins, Mary Perry, Donata Pfisterer, Meg Silvern, Joan Swanson, Shari Thompson, Kathryn Wald, Alice Wilder, Kathryn Zimmer

Secretary: Minutes distributed by email 1/10/2012. Motion to approve minutes by Kathy Harris; seconded by Cathy Dargel. Motion Approved.

Treasurer: Joan Swanson	February 1, 2012
Checking Acct.	2,502.74
Checking Acct.#2	Credit Card Acct 2,555.41
Savings Acct.	75,845.93
Petty Cash	200.00
State Farm Bond Fund	Unrestricted 34,497.65
State Farm CD #1	8,056.00
State Farm CD #2	8,055.18
State Farm CD #3	7,548.90
Money Market	State Farm 538.19
Restricted Bond Fund	Endowment Account 28,655.24
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Total Assets	\$168,455.24

4th quarter growth in the unrestricted bond fund is \$361.20; growth in the restricted bond fund is \$300.01.

Motion to approve treasurer's report by Kathy Harris; seconded by Cathy Dargel. Motion approved.

Vice President/By-Laws: Kathy Harris

- The proposed Bylaw changes will be projected on the screen at the February General meetings and then voted on for approval.

Quilt Show: Donata Pfisterer/Kathy Zimmer

- Quilt Fiesta! had 4,877 attendees – down from last year's attendance. We had three fewer buses since some tour organizers chose to take a group to the Road to California show. Sunday's attendance showed an increase of about 150 attendees – hopefully due to the Small Quilt Auction.
- The proceeds from this year's Small Quilt Auction were slightly over \$4,000 after all credit card fees were deducted.
- The wrap-up meeting for the Quilt Fiesta! will be on Friday, February 17, at the Bear Canyon Library. The meeting will start at 10:15 since the library does not open until 10:00 am.

Membership: Colleen Babcock

- Membership report was read by Joan Swanson in Colleen's absence.

- Membership in the Tucson Quilters Guild for 2011-2012 year was 649 members; 90 of them were new members.
- The Membership drive at the Tucson Quilt Show was effective; we have sixty-nine 2012-2013 members including 19 new members. A few of these applications arrived in the mail after the Quilt Show.
- There are Membership Brochures available for Quilt Stores in the area. Colleen will make sure that Cactus Quilts and Quilters Market get copies soon; they are the two stores that really seem to be interested in sharing the guild information with their customers.

Programs: Joline Albaugh/Judy Gilmartin

- February: Paula Nadelstern - All is ready. Lois Podolny will host Paula at her home. Joline will drive Paula to Prescott following the Friday workshop.
- March: Susan Cleveland
- April: Carol Taylor
- May: Karen Eckmeier - 9 sign-ups for Happy Villages on May 10; 17 sign-ups for the May 17 workshop.
- June: Sherrill Kahn - Currently there are 8 sign-ups for the 2 day workshop.
- Joline ask about ordering an additional cabinet for storage to be kept in the classroom. The first step will be to obtain permission from the church to place an additional cabinet there.

Members-at-large: Marie Morris/Laurie Mullins

- Welcoming emails have been sent to new members who signed up at the show.

Bears: Margaret Newman No report

Bees: Laura Cotter No report

Block of the Month: Kay Hendricks/ Evelyn George

- February will be the last month for a Block of the Month drawing.
- The first pattern of the month is called Mosaic Block, designed by Kay Hendricks.
- Evelyn will place a suggestion on the BOM table for members to submit suggestions for blocks and patterns for future month's patterns.
- Evelyn requested a budget of \$150 for the pattern of the month program for the next year.

Corresponding Secretary: Laurie Mullins

- 3 cards were sent.
- Anne Berry passed away.
- Peter Adams' father passed away.

Education: Ruth Martin

- Project SAAVI has 7 volunteers – these are scheduled for the next 4 months.
- One quilt top has been completed – the quilt will be used by campers at the summer camp for visually-impaired and blind children.
- SAAVI quilters were thrilled by their visit to Quilt Fiesta!. They appreciated the fat quarters given them by Mary Bazzano and Cactus Quilt shop. Each quilter is planning a special project to use their fat quarters.
- AHS programs are coming along. Ruth is making samples and kits for projects to be made at workshops through out the year. QFO will help with the kit assembly beginning in March. More volunteers will be needed throughout the year for this project.

- Education is asking for an increase in the budget for the 2012/2013 year. Also, since more supplies are needed currently, an additional \$50 was approved for expenses in this year's budget. Kathy Harris made the motion, Cathy Dargel seconded. Motion approved.
- A children's workshop for the Martha Cooper Library is planned for the fall. Volunteers are needed to assist.

Guild Pins: Patty Kruse No report

Finance Committee: Marie Morris

- The budget meeting has been set for Monday, February 27, at 10 am at the Chapel in the Hills Baptist church on the SW side. Mary Meserve will provide directions for getting there.
- All budget request changes need to be turned in to the finance committee ASAP.

Historian: Cathy Dargel

- All treasurers' records from years before 2005 have been shredded.
- Cathy will work on the past secretaries' records this next year.

Holiday Blocks: Shari Thompson

- A list of the 8 finalists' blocks and the winners is posted on the website and in the newsletter.
- Shari asked for an increase in the budget for the next year to cover the cost of the ribbons.

Hospitality: Christine McCollum

- No news this month.

Help Our Warriors (HOW): Laurie Mullins

- The first meeting of this committee will be on 2/20 at Bella's. Kits for quilts and heart pillows will be assembled.

Library: Donata Pfisterer /Kathryn Wald

- A sale of older used books will be held at the February general meetings. Winter visitors complained about only having the sale in May after many have left for the summer.

Newsletter: Margaret Newman

- Joan will pick up the February newsletters and take them to Colleen so they can be mailed in the member provided envelopes.
- The due date for articles for the March newsletter is 2/15/2012.

Nominating committee:

- Marie Morris is assembling a list of candidates for the election of officers. Secret ballots are needed for the February meetings. Write-in space will be available for any additional volunteers for the open positions.

Organizations:

- NQA: Jo has postcards for the annual NQA quilt show in June. Lois Arnold has asked for time on the agenda to talk to member about joining NQA – we are already a chapter. She also wants to email a letter to all members inviting them to join. Mary Meserve will make the announcement at the evening meeting.
 - We need a new NQA liaison since Jo will be a Quilt Show Director for the next 2 years. Kathy Harris volunteered for this position.
- AZ Quilters' Hall of Fame: Thank you to the Guild for their booth space at the Quilt Fiesta!
- Home of the Brave – No report
- Quilt for a Cause: Patterns sales did well at the show with a total of 330 patterns sold for \$3,300.

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

- We have 3 new volunteers for the 2012/2013 year.

Quilting for Others: Mary Bazzano

- In December/January we had 7 quilts, 8 tops, and 7 pillowcases turned in.
- Mary has 4 large quilt tops that need to be quilted.

Raffle Quilts: Kathryn Wald/Kathy Harris

- 2012 Raffle tickets sold out for this quilt.
- 2013 Kathy is working to find a location for the volunteers to meet to begin assembling the quilt top.
- 2014 Mary Meserve is soliciting volunteers to begin work on this quilt.

Website: Meg Silvern

- Karen Fisher talked with Meg about advertising on the website for the AZ Historical Society's 100 Quilts -100 Years Exhibit for the Centennial Celebration. Meg determined that a link from the TQG website to the Museum's website would be appropriate.

Old Business:

- There are signed posters left from the 2012 Quilt Fiesta! These will be offered for sale at the general meetings.
- Discussion was held regarding holding business meetings in the evening instead of on Wednesday mornings. Mary Meserve will talk to the church about availability of the classroom for evening meetings. Marie will again poll the evening meeting attendees to see if there are volunteers to serve on the board if we meet at night. By laws' change may be needed to allow for multiple members to serve in the same position so that one can attend at night and one in the daytime. It was suggested that if we schedule meetings in the evening that the meetings start earlier – 6 or 6:30 instead of at 7:00 pm.

New Business:

- The husband of former member Mary Rappel (deceased) contacted Mary Meserve to inquire about having the Guild assist in setting up a quilting program at the Boys' and Girls' Clubs in his wife's memory. Shari Thompson recommended that the Girls' and Boys' Clubs be directed to the Girl Scouting project on the Girl Scout website for help in starting a program. Ruth said we need to have more information – we need to have a limit on our involvement. It may be that we could help train Club instructors to help get them going. We can ask for volunteers from the membership for this project.

Meeting Adjourned at: 11:15 am.