

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
May 6, 2015

Meeting called to order by Roberta Sipes at 9:30 a.m.

- 11 Board members present.
- 15 Committees represented.
- 1 additional member present.

Attendees:

Board: Betty Anderson, Kathy Barton, Sally Dickinson, Evelyn George, Connie German, Barbara Heiman, Mary Meserve, Elaine Romanelli, Roberta Sipes, Joan Swanson, Reilly Zoda

Committee: Colleen Babcock, Diane Bach, Mary Bazzano, Cathy Dargel, Marie Luongo, Christine McCollum, Donata Pfisterer, Meg Silvern, Paulette Worman

Members: Alice Wilder

Visitors: None

Roberta Sipes shared a thank you letter from the recipient family for a quilt the Guild donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Secretary: Barbara Heiman

- Barbara Heiman distributed the finalized minutes on May 4, 2015. Cathy Dargel moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Kathy Barton and passed.

Treasurer: Kathy Barton

- Kathy Barton reported total assets of approximately \$229,000. (Details in appendix.) There was no significant change from last month. Taxes are with the accountant. As soon as the accountant returns the backup disk, Kathy will be readying the records for the short tax year. Connie German moved to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Cathy Dargel and passed.
- There was discussion on the change in fiscal year. It was noted that a new budget meeting should be held to accommodate the change.
- Discussion was also held on the need for new computers--the treasurer's computer is in definite need of an update; the program committee's computer is workable at present. Joan Swanson moved to get all new computers in the current (short) fiscal year. Donata Pfisterer recommended that the computers be acquired directly from HP rather than Best Buy or another similar store. Donata will have their IT expert contact Kathy directly with his suggestions. The motion was seconded by Cathy Dargel and passed.

Vice President/By-Laws: Elaine Romanelli

- With regards to the fiscal year change as noted in the treasurer's report, Mary Bazzano moved to end the fiscal year on June 30. The motion was seconded by Joan Swanson and passed.
- Kathy Barton was directed to communicate with Marie Morris (finance committee) to establish a budget update.
- Elaine reported that the revised by-laws will be ready for review at next month's (June) meetings. Roberta Sipes and Kathy Barton, together with Elaine, will form the committee for those revisions.
- Some questions were raised by Elaine and others regarding some of the changes. First, the term for board members need not be tied to the fiscal year and the consensus was to leave them as they are.
- The next question was the timing of the audit required in the by-laws. Again, consensus was that this should be synced to the change in the treasurer. The language in the by-laws should be clarified, if necessary, to reflect this.
- One recommendation from the five-year planning committee was imposing 10-year term limits on committee chairmen. The group generally was not in favor of this recommendation. Similarly, the recommendation that board members be given free membership for one year of the term was not supported by the board meeting attendees.
- Roberta Sipes noted that we will be considering the changes to the by-laws at the next meeting and we should anticipate an extended meeting.

Endowment/Donations: Sally Dickinson

- Sally reported that there had been no response to her newsletter article requesting volunteers to serve on a committee. Kathy Barton, Elaine Romanelli and Mary Meserve volunteered to support this committee.

Quilt Show: Joan Swanson / Betty Anderson

- Cathy Dargel has agreed to serve as Publicity chairman for the 2016 Quilt Show. They are still looking for a Takedown chairman, but have a backup plan in place.
- The chairs have been unable to reach Peg Clampett with regards to the entry form. They will have the updated form posted to the website as soon as possible.

Membership: Mary Meserve

- Mary announced that there are 423 members entered into the database, including 51 new members. The roster has been finalized and will be sent to the webmaster to convert to the appropriate format and post to the website.

Programs: Connie German / Reilly Zoda

- Lyric Kinard will be here next week. There are 12-13 signed up for the Thursday workshop and 15 for Friday.
- Rayna Gillman will be here in June. One class has 19 enrollees and the teacher has given approval to increase the maximum number of attendees to 25.
- Sign-ups are open for the 2-day Rob Appell workshop in September and are just opening up for the Maxine Rosenthal workshops in October.

Members-at-large: Laurie Mullins / Evelyn George

- No report from Laurie. Evelyn reported that she had had no contacts after her announcement at the April meeting.

Five-Year Planning: Cathy Dargel

- This was already discussed during the by-laws discussion.

Bears: Christine McCollum / Marie Luongo

- Bears are doing great.

Bees: Laurie Mullins

- No report.

Pattern of the Month: Evelyn George

- This month's pattern is Double Rainbow, a pattern suitable for the August Quilt-a-thon.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Meserve

- No report

Education: Open

- The position is still open.

Finance Committee: Marie Morris

- No report.

Guild Pins: Diane Bach

- Diane Bach announced that Janet Rupp has resigned from the committee. She has 258 pins for sale. It was suggested that perhaps an announcement of pins for sale should be made at the Guild meetings.

Historian: Cathy Dargel

- No report.

Holiday Blocks: Judy Gilmartin / Colleen Babcock

- No report

Hospitality: Christine McCollum/Marie Luongo

- Hospitality is great.

Library: Donata Pfisterer /Kathryn Wald

- There will be a sale next week. There are 15 boxes of books and magazines for sale, ranging in price from free to 1/2 price.
- There is still a need to value the library asset. Kathryn Wald has the information but is still not responding.

Newsletter: Joey Nakagawa

- The due date for June articles will be May 20.

Nominations: Reilly Zoda

- Reilly will start a list of those positions that will need to be filled at the next election. A potential candidate for program chair is already shadowing the program committee. Again, it was noted that the end of the board year will be the last day of February, unchanged from previous years.

Organizations:

- NQA- Mary Meserve – Mary has her membership pin.
- AZ Quilters' Hall of Fame- Cathy Dargel – Nominations are in. The Guild will be receiving a ballot as a Friend of the HOF.
- Quilt for A Cause- Evelyn George – QFAC is doing well. Evelyn reported on an interesting donation for the next auction. Gabrielle Giffords is donating many of the quilts she received while recovering from her injuries of January 2011. QFAC will get 10 of these quilts for their auction. Ms. Giffords' secretary may attend the Wednesday

meeting and Evelyn asked that she be allowed to speak before "Show and Tell".

Quilt-a-thon: Paulette Worman

- The first cutting party was held at Cactus Quilts. It was well-attended and many kits were created.
- Paulette asked whether she could give credit to those who've already donated. The answer is yes.

Quilting for Others: Mary Bazzano

- Mary reported that, in addition to the letter mentioned earlier in these minutes, the committee has received several thank-you letters from Habitat for Humanity families.

Raffle Quilts: Terry Gallegos / Colleen Babcock

- 2016- No report
- 2017- Colleen Babcock reported that 162 kits were distributed to 65 members. Sixteen have been returned and, hopefully, all will be received by next week. Sewing gatherings will be scheduled to put the quilt together.

Public Record Keeper: Open

- No report.

Website: Meg Silvern

- Meg still needs confirmation on the president's e-mail.
- The possibility of posting a link to the membership list is being considered.

Old Business:

- Christine McCollum reported that she can get 100 tote bags for \$287 with a one-color logo or \$387 with a two-color logo. She passed around pictures asking the group to vote for their favorite color. She will bring a sample to the next meeting. In general, the board meeting attendees agree that the price should be set at \$10.
- Christine McCollum has been working on possible alternatives to our current storage locations; there is nothing to report today.
- Christine also noted that she had processed the excess fabric donated to Quilting for Others, as promised in April. However, the fabric was

not suitable for sale to Guild members and will be donated to someone who teaches kids' classes.

New Business:

- None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Heiman, Secretary

Attachment 1: Treasurer's Report, Current Month

05/04/15

Balance Sheet

Accrual Basis

As of May 4, 2015

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Checking Account	\$49,685.38
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Savings Account	\$40,250.79
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Petty Cash	\$100.00
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Checking 2 Cr CD	<u>\$25.00</u>
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Total Checking/Savings	\$90,061.17
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Other Current Assets

State Farm Restricted B F	\$30,797.54
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S.Farm Unrestricted B F	\$108,253.39
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Total Other Current Assets	<u>\$139,050.93</u>
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Total Current Assets	\$229,112.10
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