

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
August 5, 2015

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

- 9 Board members present.
- 13 Committees represented.
- 3 additional members present.

Attendees:

Board: Betty Anderson, Kathy Barton, Sally Dickinson, Barbara Heiman, Mary Meserve, Laurie Mullins, Elaine Romanelli, Roberta Sipes, Joan Swanson

Committee: Colleen Babcock, Diane Bach, Mary Bazzano, Cathy Dargel, Marie Luongo, Christine McCollum, Marie Morris, Meg Silvern

Members: Linda Carmean, Paulette M. George, Kay Hendricks

Visitors: None

Secretary: Barbara Heiman

- Barbara Heiman distributed the finalized minutes on August 1, 2015. Cathy Dargel moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Sally Dickinson and passed.

Treasurer: Kathy Barton

- Kathy Barton reported total assets of approximately \$228,600. The detailed report was not distributed due to no internet connection following the treasurer's move. The accountant is still working on the taxes for the short year. Completion is expected within a week. Joan Swanson moved to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Mary Bazzano and passed.

Vice President/By-Laws: Elaine Romanelli

- The changes to the by-laws are ready for voting next week at the general meetings.
- The church contract is out of date and the church representative would like to have a current one, including information on the Guild insurance. Kathy Barton and Elaine will work on this.
- Contracts and other useful information should be filed in the president's notebook. Roberta has not received this notebook. She will take steps to find this notebook.

Endowment/Donations: Sally Dickinson

- Emails have been sent to the committee members soliciting suggestions for updating the online information about the Grants/Donations program for 2015/2016. No deadline for the applications has been set. One application has been received for the 2015/2016 Grant monies. The application was passed around the table. No action was taken since the committee has not had an opportunity to review or discuss the application or to make recommendations to the Board.

Quilt Show: Joan Swanson / Betty Anderson

- No report.

Membership: Mary Meserve

- Mary announced that there are 466 members entered into the database, with 3 new members last month.

Programs: Connie German / Reilly Zoda

- No report.

Members-at-large: Laurie Mullins / Evelyn George

- No report.
- Laurie indicated that she will be stepping down because it has been difficult to attend the required business meetings.

Bears: Christine McCollum / Marie Luongo

- Bears are still available.

Bees: Laurie Mullins

- No report.

Pattern of the Month: Evelyn George

- The August pattern is Granny Squares, a 10.5" block reminiscent of the crocheted squares of the same name.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Meserve

- A Guild member, Susan Anderson, passed away.

Education: Open

- The position is still open.

Finance Committee: Marie Morris

- The budget is ready for approval voting at the general meetings next week.

Guild Pins: Diane Bach

- No report.

Historian: Cathy Dargel

- No report.

Holiday Blocks: Judy Gilmartin / Colleen Babcock

- No report .

Hospitality: Christine McCollum/Marie Luongo

- No report.

Library: Donata Pfisterer /Kathryn Wald

- No report.

Newsletter: Joey Nakagawa

- No report. Newsletter articles should be submitted by the usual date, August 19.

Nominations: Reilly Zoda

- No report.

Organizations:

- NQA- Mary Meserve – No report.
- AZ Quilters' Hall of Fame- Cathy Dargel – The 2015 raffle quilt is pictured on the website--not the one shown in July by Cathy. (That will be the 2016 raffle quilt.)
The induction event will be September 20. TQG is the sponsor for inductee Jean Biddick, with Barbara Heiman to provide the introduction.
- Quilt for A Cause- Evelyn George – Colleen reported that they are receiving lots of donations with 141 quilts listed on the web page. The kickoff event for the 2016 auction will be held on Oct 3 from 2-5 p.m. Tickets for this event are \$25. There will be quilt raffle tickets for sale. See the July minutes for more details.

Quilt-a-thon: Paulette Worman

- Mary Bazzano reported that Paulette is ready to go for next week's Quilt-a-thon.

Quilting for Others: Mary Bazzano

- No report.

Raffle Quilts: Terry Gallegos / Colleen Babcock

- 2016- The quilt is complete, save for about 40" of binding and the sleeve. It will be blocked this weekend and ready for photography.
- 2017- No report

Public Record Keeper: Open

- The position is still open.

Website: Meg Silvern

- No report.

Old Business:

- Cathy Dargel reported on the July 21 meeting of the Tucson Visual Arts Center. She told the group present at that meeting that TQG requires 360 square feet of storage space and 900 square feet of office space, both dedicated for the sole use of TQG. They also require 1200 square feet for workshop space and 4000 square feet of meeting space. This space can be shared but TQG will need 1 week per month (the week which includes the second Wednesday of the month).
The group decided to disapprove the inclusion of retail sales in the space, as this would triple the cost of the building.
There were 10 different groups represented at the first meeting. The next meeting will be near the end of August. The governing structure is undetermined at this time. Cathy noted that, as the largest and most financially secure organization, TQG support will be necessary for the continuation of the group.

New Business:

- Christine McCollum is planning a quilt raffle in October and November to benefit the Community Food Bank. There will be two quilts--one for the night meeting and one for the daytime meeting. Tickets will be \$1 or 6 for \$5. Cathy Dargel moved to permit sales at the October and November meetings. The motion was seconded by Sally Dickinson and passed.
- Members Marie Carmean and Paulette George attended the board meeting, representing Desert Springs Baptist Church. Their group does sewing projects for charity. A young member of their

congregation has spinal muscular atrophy--a genetic disorder that prevents movement. They are raffling a quilt, with the money going for his treatment. They would like to sell tickets at our September and October meetings (\$1 or 6 for \$5). Colleen Babcock moved to allow these sales. The motion was seconded by Joan Swanson and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Heiman, Secretary