

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
May 4, 2016

Meeting called to order by Elaine Romanelli at 9:30 a.m.

- 9 Board members present.
- 14 Committees represented.
- 2 additional members present.

Attendees:

Board: Betty Anderson, Kathy Barton, Sally Dickinson, Dale Domingue, Evelyn George, Kay Hendricks, Elaine Romanelli, Denise Withrow, Reilly Zoda

Committee: Diane Bach, Cathy Dargel, Kathy Harris, Diane Hartman, Barbara Heiman, Marie Luongo, Christine McCollum, Mary Meserve, Meg Silvern

Members: Karen Kelter, Joan Swanson

Visitors: None

In Roberta's absence, Elaine Romanelli chaired the meeting.

Secretary: Position open

- Barbara Heiman distributed the final April minutes by e-mail on May 3, 2016. Cathy Dargel moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Kathy Harris and passed.

Treasurer: Dale Domingue

- Dale reported that new formats for the monthly reports would be rolled out in the new fiscal year, more closely tied to budget categories.
- The balance sheet shows assets of approximately \$231,000. (Details in appendix.) Kathy Harris moved to approve the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Reilly Zoda and passed.

Vice President/By-Laws: Elaine Romanelli

- Elaine reported that the agenda for business meetings has been updated and passed around the agenda for corrections.

Endowment: Sally Dickinson

- Four applications have been received from the Arizona Historical Society, Quilt for a Cause, the Arizona Quilt Documentation project and the Clay-to-Cloth project. This last is in support of a show to be

held in Prescott displaying the works of the Hopi quilt makers. The committee will meet to evaluate these applications.

Quilt Show: Betty Anderson / Reilly Zoda

- Betty noted that they would be taking the contract for 2017 to the TCC after this meeting.
- Kathy Harris reported that we still haven't received payment from Quilts Limited for their program ad for the 2016 show.
- Sally Dickinson reported that she has received eight nominations for potential recipients of the Small Quilt Auction proceeds: Aviva, Catalina Village Assisted Living, Emerge, Interfaith Community Services, Literacy Connects, Reading Seed, Visual and Textile Arts of Tucson, and Youth on Their Own. She has made ballots to be distributed at the May general meetings so that members can vote for their preference. Kathy Harris noted that her nomination for Hope Animal Shelter was not included. After some discussion, it was decided that this oversight would be announced before voting so that members would have a write-in option for this organization.

Membership: Kathy Barton

- Kathy reported 356 members, of which 35 are new members.
- There are 193 members from last year who have not yet renewed. A reminder e-mail will be sent to them.

Programs: Karen Fisher / Denise Withrow

- Denise reported that they expect to have leftover funds in their budget at the end of the fiscal year. They have some plans to spend at least some of this money and wanted the board to weigh in on their suggestions.
- The first item is another quilt rack. As well, it was suggested that existing racks be examined to be sure that they have all parts. This expenditure met with general agreement.
- The next item is tablet(s) for class enrollment. Current paper enrollments are difficult to read, with numerous cross-outs, etc. This item met with less unanimous approval, but the board is open to it.
- The next item suggested by Denise was a Pay Pal account to make it easier for members to pay for workshops. In discussing this, paying by credit card with the "Square" was also a viable possibility. The programs committee should investigate the best possible option.
- The May and June speakers will be driving from California and may need 5 hotel nights. The consensus of the group is that this is OK, provided it is within the budget.
- Finally, there was discussion of better promotion of speakers. Meg Silvern will send out e-mail to the general membership (when provided with the information from Programs), but there is no guarantee that members are more likely to read this than the Newsletter. Also, we need to be cognizant of sending out too many e-mails to the membership. One suggestion for improving our

communication about speakers is to provide local quilt shops with a folder that lists upcoming speakers and supply lists. With this, the shops have the opportunity to be prepared with special tools or materials and can provide help to workshop participants in selecting fabrics, etc.

- On a final note, it was noted that the link for a September workshop is wrong and should be corrected.

Members-at-large: Kay Hendricks / Evelyn George

- Kay reported that a member had suggested that the workshop prices be reduced. However, as Guild costs exceed the workshop income (even when filled) and given typical costs for workshops from nationally recognized teachers, this is impractical. Perhaps this should be communicated to members.

Bears: Christine / Marie Luongo

- Bears are doing fine.

Bees: Margaret Newman

- No report.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Meserve

- Kathryn Wald has had shoulder surgery. Lynn Wilcox passed away. Cards will be sent.

Finance Committee: Marie Morris

- The budget meeting was held Friday, April 22. Copies of the proposed budget have been distributed with some amendments since the meeting and will be posted to the Website. Cathy Dargel moved to approve the budget, as amended. The motion was seconded by Kathy Harris and passed.

Guild Pins: Diane Bach

- Pins are great.

Historian: Cathy Dargel

- The Guild is 40 years old today.

Holiday Blocks: Judy Gilmartin / Colleen Babcock

- No report.

Hospitality: Christine McCollum/Marie Luongo

- Hospitality is fine.

Library:

- Roberta got all library materials from Donata Pfisterer and placed them in the storage unit.
- Kathy Barton is chairing the Library Review Committee.

Newsletter: Diane Hartman

- Diane reported that the due date for June articles will be Wednesday, May 18.

Nominations:

- No report, although a replacement secretary is still needed.

Organizations:

- Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame - The only board representatives from TQG are Ruth Martin and Sue Franklin.
- Quilt for A Cause- Evelyn George - The deadline for submitting quilts for the 2016 auction is August 1. Signups are ongoing for hanging helpers in September and helpers at the October 15 auction. Currently, over 300 quilts have been donated.

Pattern of the Month: Evelyn George

- The May pattern of the month is Little Gathered Basket.
- Also, Evelyn has e-mailed a list of Block of the Month patterns to all those who requested this information.

Publicity: Elaine Romanelli

- Elaine reported that she is working on ways to improve publicity of Guild activities, both Quilt Show related and otherwise. Suggestions are welcome.

Quilt-a-thon: Paulette Worman / Barbara Heiman

- Good to go.

Quilting for Others: Mary Meserve / Kathy Harris

- Mary and Kathy reported a large donation (fabric and completed quilts) from a member who recently moved into assisted living. Donations were made to Emerge.
- Sally Dickinson reported that she mailed 59 fidget quilts to Oklahoma.

Raffle Quilts: Colleen Babcock

- 2017- Picture has been taken.
- 2018 - Construction will start with the Mariner's compass units. A sew day is scheduled for May 22 at the Westside Police Station at Flowing Wells and Miracle Mile. Please e-mail Colleen to volunteer for this.

Public Record Keeper: Mary Meserve

- Mary is keeping our record of donations up to date and will make a report in an upcoming Newsletter.

Website: Meg Silvern

- Meg will be updating the e-mail addresses on the website. Please check once the update is made to confirm that your address is correct.

Old Business:

- The Mystery Quilt has been solved and there will be a completed example for Show and Tell next week.

New Business:

- None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Heiman, Acting Secretary

Attachment 1: Treasurer's Report, Current Month

05/03/16

Balance Sheet

Accrual Basis

As of May 3, 2016

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Checking Account \$41,189.93

Savings Account \$40,256.85

Petty Cash \$75.00

Checking 2 Cr CD \$25.00

Total Checking/Savings \$81,576.48

Other Current Assets

State Farm Restricted B F \$31,446.01

S.Farm Unrestricted B F \$117,120.86

Total Other Current Assets \$148,566.87

Total Current Assets \$230,113.65

Fixed Assets

EQUIPMENT

Accumulated Depreciation **-\$9,306.11**

EQUIPMENT - other \$11,109.50

Total Fixed Assets \$1,803.39

TOTAL ASSETS \$231,917.04