

# TUCSON QUILTERS GUILD

## BUSINESS MEETING OF August 2, 2017

Meeting called to order by President, Elaine Romanelli at 10:30 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_12\_\_\_ Board Members Present (Quorum? Yes   x   No \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_8\_\_\_ Committee Chairs Present

\_\_\_\_\_0\_\_\_ Visitors Present

\_\_\_\_\_2\_\_\_ Members Present

**Secretary:** Corrections to the minutes: Minutes were disseminated by e-mail.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Kathy Barton and seconded by Cathy Dargel. Motion was approved.

**Treasurer:** Marie Morris

The Treasurer reported Expenses of \$796.29, Income of \$0.00 for a Net Income of \$-796.29 for the month of July. The Balance Sheet Report stated that Total Assets are \$200,129.49 and Total Liabilities and Equity is \$200,129.49. Taxes were delivered to the Account today (8/2/17).

Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Cathy Dargel and seconded by Reilly Zoda. Motion was approved.

The Treasurer reported that she continues to have problems with her printer's connection to the Guild computer that is used for Quick Books. Mary Meserve moved to allow money in the budget for the purchase of a new computer for use by the Treasurer. The old equipment that was hit by lightning will be donated. Christine McCollum seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

**Vice President / By-Laws:** Paulette Worman – No report

**Endowment / Donations:** Mary Meserve

A grant application was received from Quilts for a Cause. There is a potential for another application to be received from the Sister Jose Women's Shelter.

**Quilt Show:** Reilly Zoda / Helen Frost

The Quilt Show entry form is on-line but it can't be completed on line. When it is downloaded to a personal computer it can be completed.

**Membership:** Kathy Barton

There are 423 current members with 57 new members.

**Programs:** Karen Fisher / Denise Withrow – No report

**Members-at-Large:** Kay Hendricks / Evelyn George

Daytime Member-at-Large Evelyn George reports that there is a lot of interest in a stash sale. This will be discussed further under New Business. She has heard from a couple of the bees that they are willing to share information regarding their bee at a General Meeting but she has heard mostly negative responses. Several of the bees don't do things together. Marie Morris (?) suggested targeting the November meeting for presentations and calling it a Bee RoundUP. It was suggested that an e-mail be sent out requesting information about each bee: where it's held, when it's held, what they do, whether it's open or closed. President Elaine Romanelli reiterated that she would really like to encourage the bees to get more interaction with the Guild. She volunteered to develop a form to be sent to the bees.

**Bears:** Christine McCollum / Marie Luongo – No report

**Bees:** Margaret Newman

In light of the above discussion regarding bees, a new chairman will need to be appointed

**Corresponding Secretary:** Mary Meserve – No report

**Education:**

We have contacted Sister Jose's Shelter to see if they would like a Guild member to teach a pillow class but there has been no response. Marie Morris will contact them again.

**Finance Committee:** Sally Dickinson

Sally Dickinson has resigned and the President will need to appoint a new chairman.

**Guild Pins:**

All of the pins have been turned over to the Membership Chairman. The initial supply was paid for last month.

**Historian:** Cathy Dargel – No report

**Hospitality:** Christine McCollum / Marie Luongo

Next week, at the Quilt-a-Thon, the Guild will provide refreshments. There was some discussion about serving the number of people that sign up to attend vs the number of people that actually attend. Some extras will be purchased to cover this contingency. Budget issues may preclude the ability to do this in the future.

**Library:** Diane Hartman

A total of 53 books have been check out by 17 members so members are starting to utilize it more.

**Newsletter:** Diane Hartman

This month's deadline is August 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a new column in the newsletter called *Opportunity Knocks*. Items such as upcoming chairmanship vacancies will be featured.

**Nominations:** Reilly Zoda -- NA

**Pattern of the Month:** Evelyn George

The POM for this month is Fly Anywhere, Little Geese. Directions and examples of how to use them will be provided for flying geese units.

**Publicity:** Cathy Dargel

Chairman Cathy Dargel announced that she had signed up for the Guild to become a member of the Southern Arizona Arts & Cultural Alliance under the Business Section. There is an article about the Quilt Show in the current Country Register and she is working on having the cover of the CR just before the show. She also had a small sample copy of the 2018 Show Poster to show. There was a suggestion that maybe placing the raffle quilt in non-quilt-shop locations might generate some interest in the show. The Chairman said that she was not pushing this because of the inability to sell raffle tickets on line, through our website.

**Organizations:**

Quilt for a Cause – Evelyn George reported that three new members will be joining their Board. The Quilts in a Garden invitations will be going out soon. One bus for the Road to California show is already filled and a waiting list is being developed to see if a second bus can be filled. The Festival of Trees has asked for a donation/tree to be created and donated. Quilts in a Garden has already been scheduled for the Botanical Gardens for next April.

Quilters Hall of Fame – No report

**Quilt-a-Thon:** Barbara Heiman

A floor plan is being developed and the Chairman stated that plenty of machines will be there. The committee will be setting up on Tuesday afternoon.

**Quilting for Others:** Mary Meserve / Kathy Harris

The Guild has received a large donation of children's fabric and they will be making it into pillowcase kits.

**Raffle Quilts:** Colleen Babcock

2018 – No report

2019 – President Elaine Romanelli reported that the pattern has been just slightly modified and fabric has been selected – the palette will be bright 'summer' colors. They are working on a plan to complete the quilt but haven't decided yet whether kits will be available.

**Record Keeper:** Mary Meserve – No report

**VTAT:** Reilly Zoda

The VTAT Board would like to have a representative from the Guild attend their meetings which meet the second Saturday of each month near Broadway and Swan. Cathy Dargel will provide the details to be included in the newsletter, perhaps in the new *Opportunity Knocks* column.

**Website:** Meg Silvern – No report

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Since the Guild pays for the church facility from 4pm to 9pm on Tuesdays and from 8am to 3pm on Wednesday (of the second week of the month) there were some suggestions that perhaps a bee could meet in that space after the meetings.

Colleen McCollum displayed the Christmas Quilts that will be used as a fund-raiser for the Community Food Bank and requested permission to sell raffle tickets at the October and November meetings. There is one quilt for the Night Guild meeting and one for the Day Guild meeting. Marie Morris made a motion that this be allowed. Kathy Barton seconded it. Motion was carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Member Lynn Ruble was present at the meeting to discuss a potential Stash Sale. She has also volunteered to be the Chairman as she has done it in the past at her former Guild. It will be held on November 7-8, at the church hall, for 1 hour before each meeting and a half hour after and will be called a DeStash Sale. All sewing, quilting and craft supplies are eligible to be presented for sale. Any member can rent a table for \$10, or multiple members can share a table. The table fee will go to the Guild but any proceeds will go to the owner/member. If members do not want to remove any unsold items, they can be donated to various causes. Any unsold quilting items can be donated to the Show Committee for hostess or other gifts. Marie Morris made a motion to hold the DeStash Sale. Christine McCollum seconded it. Motion was carried. Lynn will write up an article for the newsletter.

Meeting was adjourned.