

TUCSON QUILTERS' GUILD

BUSINESS MEETING OF September 6, 2017

Meeting called to order by Vice President Paulette Worman at 9:32 a.m.

_____ 11 ___ Board Members Present (Quorum? Yes X No _____)

_____ 5 ___ Committee Chairs Present

_____ 0 ___ Visitors Present

_____ 0 ___ Members Present

Secretary: Lani M. Smith

Corrections to the minutes: Minutes were distributed by e-mail.

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

Treasurer: Marie Morris

The Profit and Loss Report for the month of August states that Total Income is \$535.50 and Total Expenses for the month are \$4,518.35; leaving a balance \$-3,982.85. (I do not currently have the Balance Sheet for this month.)

The Treasurer reported that the taxes, both State and Federal, have been completed and submitted.

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Karen Fisher and seconded by Cathy Dargel. Motion was carried

Vice President / By-Laws: Paulette Worman

The Guild Lease to rent the church expires at the end of October. Are there any changes that need to be made? Cathy Dargel is looking into the future of the church.

Endowment / Donations: Mary Meserve

Only one grant request has been received – the same as last month. Marie Morris reported that she has talked to Sister Jose's Shelter but they haven't had time to look at the donated machines yet. AZ Vac and Sew has offered to work on them for the shelter.

Quilt Show: Reilly Zoda / Helen Frost

The Show meeting in August went well. They showed the block from the 2019 quilt. Kits are being prepared to be handed out.

In February the General Meeting will be on the day that is usually the Business Meeting (first Wednesday and the night before) so that quilts for the show can be turned in at the General Meeting.

Membership: Kathy Barton

There are 431 members with 59 new members. Kathy Barton suggested that one idea might be to raise the dues somewhat and then offer a lower dues amount for renewals. Kathy does send a renewal reminder through e-mail.

Programs: Karen Fisher / Denise Withrow -- No report

Members-at-Large: Kay Hendricks / Evelyn George

Evelyn George raised the issue of how to encourage members to renew. Kathy Barton (Membership Chair) does send a renewal reminder through e-mail.

Bears: Christine McCollum / Marie Luongo

Christine McCollum reminded members that bears are due in October/November so that they can be distributed in December.

Bees: Margaret Newman

The chairman has resigned. President Elaine Romanelli has taken it over – at least on a temporary basis.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Meserve

Jeannie Coleman, founder of Quilts for a Cause, has passed away. Jan Pullen has lost her son. Margaret Newman will be having surgery next week. Cards will be sent to all three on behalf of the Guild.

Education:

A suggestion was made to list the opening in the Opportunity Column in the newsletter.

Finance Committee: -- No report

Guild Pins:

Have been turned over to the Membership Chairman.

Historian: Cathy Dargel -- No report

Hospitality: Christine McCollum / Marie Luongo

The food service for the Quilt-a-Thon worked just fine. Christine ordered a couple of extra items, just in case, but for the most part all went well. Panera Breads provided excellent service.

Library: Diane Hartman

The semi-annual book sale will be held in October and she is collecting books for it. The Chairman stated that her term ends in February and a new librarian and newsletter coordinator will need to be appointed.

Newsletter: Diane Hartman

September 20th is the deadline. As noted above, a new newsletter coordinator will be needed after February, 2018.

Pattern of the Month: Evelyn George

This month's pattern, a simple block pattern, is called Autumn Rush.

Publicity: Cathy Dargel

After the Business Meeting, the Chairman met with Gayle Petrillo, the Development Director for SAACA. They have accepted the Guild's membership and Cathy has requested that they change the physical address they have on file for the Guild, to the Guild's PO Box. The group has the Guild's website and Cathy is preparing publicity for their publication.

SAACA is moving to a new location but the address is unclear at this time. Ms. Petrillo did state that the new facility would accommodate the Guild General Meetings and, as a member, we would be able to meet there. No mention of fees was discussed.

There will be a Festival of the Arts in December that we can participate in, as well as many other opportunities.

VTAT is going to participate in one of SAACA's sales events, and the Guild might be able to sell things if there are volunteers.

Ms. Petrillo asked for a quilt that could be used in a raffle they are having in September for Jazz Legends Live. Cathy had finished one called Jazz Attack and donated the quilt to SAACA on behalf of the Guild.

Organizations:

Quilt for a Cause -- The memorial for Jeannie Coleman was very nice. There was some talk of developing a Memorial Fund in her name, perhaps a Medical Professional Scholarship Fund to train nurses. No decisions have been made. The three new board members have taken their seats.

The Quilt Show committee has been asked to set up a ribbon for a Best Wearable Art award in Jeannie's honor.

Quilters Hall of Fame – The Tucson Quilters Guild currently has no representation on Board of the Hall of Fame as this time. The board is down to three individuals and currently meets in Phoenix since that is where the Board members live. Cathy Dargel will be submitting a request to fill this position in the Opportunity Knocks column in the newsletter.

Quilt-a-Thon: Barbara Heiman

Eighty-five quilts were finished at the Quilt-a-Thon. A few more are coming in over time. Attendance was up from last year. The Guild already has 86 ready for next year, plus a lot of extra supplies. An e-mail was sent out letting members know when the quilts will be delivered to Interfaith Community Services which will be September 8th at 10 am.

Quilting for Others: Mary Meserve / Kathy Harris

The Chairman has received calls regarding donations to the survivors of Hurricane Irma in TX. Mary has said that they don't need quilts or supplies – the most desperate need is for money. A suggestion was made to donate the raffle proceeds to the Tucson Community Food Bank. An article will be put in the newsletter requesting no quilts or supplies.

Raffle Quilts: Colleen Babcock

2018 – This quilt is travelling.

2019 – No report

Record Keeper: Mary Meserve

One quilt has been donated.

VTAT:

Cathy Dargel reported that when she listed the VTAT volunteer opportunity in the newsletter, Yolanda Weininger called her after the newsletter was out and volunteered and Cathy sent her info to the President of VTAT.

Website: Meg Silvern -- No report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.