

**Omaha Quilter's Guild Board Meeting**  
**January 5, 2016**  
**Lutheran Church of the Master**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**

OQG president, Amy Robertson opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with 20 members present including: Angella Arndt, Bev Adams, Linda Holman, Amy Robertson, Corinne Mittag, Tammy Magill, Maureen Cass, Janelle Reed, Kerby Selmer, Darcy Jorgensen, Vicki Hoskovec, Frances Williamson, Carece Harstad, Janet Hall, Angie Reed, Carol McCann, Kathy Mainelli, Andi Chakravarti, Gerry Cordes and Carol Nish.

**President's report**

Amy opened the meeting and presented thank you cards (for awards we sponsored at the state fair) and a Christmas card that were received this past month. Amy asked whether the guild should continue to sponsor the 3 awards at the state fair. After a short discussion, the board agreed to give \$50 each for: best portrait quilt, best large hand quilted quilt and best group quilt.

**Vice President's report**

Angella is in the process of gathering a nominating committee for next year's officers.

**Committee Reports**

Programs – Gerry reported that 14 members are signed up for each of the next two month's classes, February's 2 day class with Peg Pennell and Lyric Kinnard's class in March. She said that there is room for additional members in each class. Maureen is working on future speakers and classes.

Corresponding secretary – A discussion was held regarding cards for members.

Treasurer – Bev reported that our bank has informed her that they will no longer accept change. A preliminary discussion was held, but no decision was made for any changes at this time. Bev also presented her monthly report.

Membership – At this time, we have 225 members.

Quilt Show – Tammy reported that she will meet with her group for the first time on January 19, 2016 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Papillion. Tammy went over the new contracts and indicated that Embassy Suites prices have gone up a little. Tammy also noted that we should be able to have more vendors this year which would make up the difference. Jan Koch has already had some inquiries from prospective vendors.

Historian – Darcy reported that all but 5 of the calendars have already been sold. Fifty were printed this year. The board discussed printing additional calendars next year.

Bus Trip – Mary Zagozda said that she had been contacted by Cottonwood Quilt Guild asking if we would like to participate in their bus trip this year. It will take place the weekend of June 10 – 12. The trip is planned to go the Minnesota Quilt Expo with a shop hop along the way. The cost is \$269 for meals, the hotel and bus. The board decided to accept this proposal and will encourage our members to participate.

Camp Wannamakablankie – Camp will be held the weekend of October 21 – 23, 2016. Prices went up slightly this year. The cost is \$295 for a single room, \$233 for two persons in a room, \$207 for three, \$187 for four and \$158 for five. The dates for 2017 are October 20 – 22.

Community Connections – The board discussed the requests from Shakespeare on the Green for quilts. We decided to offer them up to 6 quilts from Helping Hands. The representative will be invited to come to the February meeting. She may bring additional panels that other members may offer to quilt.

Helping Hands – Angie is preparing for the January sew-in. She is hoping to be set up at the German American Center by 5 so that quilters can come anytime after that and stay to sew until 9.

Holiday Party – Carol McCann reported that the turnout this year was very good. She is hoping to get some volunteers next year to walk around with the auction items. The theme for the auction next year is “plaid.”

Librarian – Janelle reported that she is hoping to get the books moved to the German American Center next Tuesday. She would also like to be able to show members at a meeting how to navigate the library online.

Properties – Andi asked for the new contact at the German American Center.

Quilts of Valor – Kerby reported that her committee distributed 42 quilts last year.

Small Groups – A discussion was held on how to help new members find and join a small group. A suggestion was made to meet with interested members before a general meeting.

Spring Fling – Angella noted that the registration is over and has been completely filled.

Webstitcher – Corinne asked for newsletter articles by Friday. The board also discussed the Yahoo group and the possibility that it may need to change.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish