Omaha Quilter's Guild Board Meeting November 5, 2013 Lutheran Church of the Master Minutes

President Carla Toczek called the meeting to order with 13 members present including: Carla Toczek, Bev Adams, Katie Haubrich, Judy Sellers, Corinne Mittag, Roberta Willit, Andi Chakravarti, Connie Pratt, Angie Reed Jeanette Podowski Tammy Magill, Linda Holman and Carol Nish.

Old Business:

Tammy Magill informed the board that 300 membership books were being printed and would be ready for the meeting on Tuesday. The books being printed at Bellevue Printers will be 20 pages in length and the cost is comparable to last year. Membership is currently at 217.

Judy Sellers reported that Dawn Heese is the speaker for November. At this time, only 2 people are registered for her class on Wednesday, November 13, 2013. The board discussed possible causes for the low attendance. It was decided that the guild should ask Candy Gallup if she would be willing to hold her class on the weekend to see if that will increase attendance.

Bev Adams presented an updated treasurer's report in a new format. This format will also be available on the webpage.

Carla reported that there have been complaints about the length of the business meeting. She proposed that committees report to the general membership each month only if they have new or important information for the members. Carla would like to try having "Show and Tell" first at the monthly meetings. Carla then informed the board that Yvonne Wilson has decided to resign as guilt show chairman due to unforeseen personal issues. Jan Koch will remain as co-chair and will continue to be in charge of vendors. The board discussed this new vacancy. It was decided to present this information on the website and FaceBook and to ask for a volunteer to step forward. Cindy Erickson will be asked to speak about this issue to the membership at the November meeting. The board is hopeful that a member will come forward to chair this position. The board also discussed the webmaster's position. Roberta has agreed to fill in as webmaster for this year following Brenda Reid's resignation as webmaster-intraining. However, Roberta informed the board that she will retire at the end of the year. A number of options were discussed. It was suggested that one feasible alternative may be to hire a company to do this work. The board would need a guild member to act as liaison to the company. Since the guild no longer prints a newsletter, it was proposed that this savings might cover the cost. Before a final decision is made, this idea will be presented to the membership for their feedback.

Katie reported that she is looking for a group to be the greeters at the November meeting.

Rising Stars has been cancelled for November. Susie Jarocz will not be available due to her brother's illness.

Mary Schnitker is in charge of the "Spring Fling."

Thank you notes were presented from the quilters who received the awards that the guild sponsored at the Nebraska State Fair.

There will be no board meeting in December. The next meeting will take place on January 7, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish