Omaha Quilter's Guild Board Meeting February 10, 2014 Lutheran Church of the Master Board Minutes

Members present included: Carla Toczek, Linda Holman, Judy Sellers, Bev Adams, Roberta Willet, Gerry Cordes and Carol Nish.

Carla called the meeting to order. She handed out an updated copy of the officers and committee chairs. Carla announced that Lorraine Fitzgerald would be retiring as historian at the end of the year.

The board discussed and approved continued sponsorship of three awards at the Nebraska State Fair. The awards sponsored are for Hand Quilting, Portrait and Best of All in category B.

Linda Holman met with her nominating committee to begin the process of finding members for the 2014/15 board as well as committee chairs. At our general meeting, she will ask members to contact the nominating committee if they are interested in any position still open.

A discussion was held regarding the sale of quilting related items at guild meetings. The board decided that if a shop presents a skill at Rising Stars, they may sell a tool or item used for that skill only during the Rising Stars portion of the evening.

Judy Sellers informed the board that Kandi Gallup is presenting a trunk show at the February meeting. Her class will be held on February 23, 2014. At this time, there are 8 members registered for the class. Open spots are available. Ellen Lessman will be the March speaker. She will present a trunk show at the meeting. Ellen will teach machine quilting on a domestic machine the Sunday after the meeting. The cost for her class will be \$35. This includes the kit needed for the class. The April program has not been finalized. Judy is talking to Material Girls about a program on "Modern Quilts." Gerry informed the guild that the Lincoln guild would be happy to work with us in sponsoring future speakers.

Bev Adams handed out the updated treasurer's report.

The guild received a letter from Vicky Hundert regarding the QSC Expo in Lincoln next September at the Lancaster Event Center. The guild is being asked if we are interested in a display at this event. A motion was made and approved to display our Opportunity Quilt and sell tickets at this event.

The board discussed a number of items dealing with the quilt show. An ad is being placed in the current issue of the Country Register as well as the next issue for our show. The quilt show committee still needs help with publicity. Currently, 21 venders have signed up. Plans are to have the registration forms available on the website this week. The OQG booth at our show was introduced but that item was tabled until the March meeting. Further discussion will also be held regarding membership requirements.

Camp Wannamakablankie fees were discussed. The board approved a \$2 fee added on to each camper's individual rate to pay for snacks, supplies etc. provided by the guild. Cheri is also looking for help to design the quilt block and assemble the quilt.

Roberta is in the process of procuring bids from 4 different companies who are interested in taking over the guild's website. Currently, the website has over 64 pages. That number will be trimmed down to those pages that are touched most. The guild will still need a webmaster or liaison person. This person or committee will decide what will be added to the website when items are submitted. They will also check spelling and grammar in articles that have been submitted. Roberta suggested calling this person the "webstitcher" rather than webmaster. Carla suggested that this group include a board member as well as another person who is willing to commit to a multi-year term.

The board discussed the pros and cons of displaying our opportunity quilt at the NE State Quilt Guild events.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by, Carol Nish