

Omaha Quilter's Guild Board Meeting
February 2, 2015
Lutheran Church of the Master
Board Meeting Minutes

OQG president, Linda Holman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with 12 members present including: Tammy Magill, Bev Adams, Linda Holman, Carla Toczek, Angella Arndt, Amy Robertson, Janelle Reed, Kathy Mainelli, Fran Williamson, Janet Hall, Gerry Cordes and Carol Nish.

President's report

Linda reported that she informed NE State Fair committee that the guild will once again sponsor three awards. Nellie MacCallum will be present at the general membership meeting to ask for quilts for Shakespeare on the Green. The "Dreams and Memories" Quilt, made by Benson High students will be displayed at Joselyn Art Museum February 5, 2015. The guild received a card from Terry Paulson to thank the guild for sponsoring the award that she received at the NE State Fair in 2014 for the "best portrait wall-hanging." The International Quilt Study Center sent the guild a Christmas card.

Committee Reports

President-Elect – Amy is gathering her nominating committee. She will present the new slate of officers at the March meeting.

Treasurer – Bev Adams presented the treasurer's report. In the future, Bev will email a copy of the current report to the board members when Linda sends the announcement of our board meetings.

Opportunity Quilt – Bev Adams reported that she contacted the International Quilt Study Center and Lauritzen Gardens to ask if we could display and sell tickets for our Opportunity Quilt. Both declined.

Membership – We currently have 255 members.

Quilt Show – Tammy reported that she had her first meeting with the quilt show committee on January 20, 2015. She will meet with her committee on the third Tuesday of each month until the show. The quilt show page is up and running on the website. Members will be able to print out a quilt submission form or fill it out and send it in online. The website also has vendor forms available, information about the challenge and provides viewers the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Opportunity Quilt. Country Register will have an ad for the quilt show in the March/April issue. The ad in the May/June issue will include a coupon. Janelle will take over the decorations for the show. At this time, there is no small quilt auction chair. The board members discussed what other options we have if no one steps up to fill this position. A proposed sew-in was

discussed for March at Woodman Lodge with all items going to the small quilt auction. Special exhibits will include Quilts of Valor as well as Home of the Brave. The board also discussed vendor applications.

Library – Janelle Reed informed the guild that Merna Bowman submitted a quilt for Paducah's exhibit, "Quilting in the Heartland," which was accepted. Eighteen quilts from the Midwest area were selected for this exhibit. Janelle also let the board know that all 538 of our library books are now available for members in the new program, "Librarything.com." Members will be able to search for a book multiple ways.

Properties – Bev is helping Andi look for a new storage facility. One possibility is a place by Millard Airport. We will continue to pay for our current site on a monthly basis until a decision has been made on whether to keep the current site or switch to a new site.

Quilts of Valor – Volunteer help is needed at the sew-ins that are held once a month.

Small Groups – A chair is still needed to take over for the remainder of this year.

Spring Fling – Angella reported that 32 members are currently signed up. The date is Feb. 13 – 15. She is working on collecting donations for door prizes, seating arrangements and the menu for the weekend.

Programs – Gerry informed the guild that 16 members are signed up for the "Hunter's Star" class to be taught by Jackie Heyne on Sunday. Each person will have an AccuCut machine available to them. Gerry will not be available to attend the general membership meeting this month and asked for help. She has been placing ads in area quilt shops to advertise Lynn Hagmeier's lecture in March.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish

