

Omaha Quilters Guild
September 4, 2018
Lutheran Church of the Master
Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

OQG President, Windy Benigno called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Attendance

Angie Reed, Amy Robertson, Andi Chakravarti, Windy Benigno, Helen Nance, Molly Phillips, Barbara Andrysik, Nancy Wells, Debbie McMillin, Kerby Selmer, Janelle Reed, Angella Arndt, Tammy Magill

Welcome

President Windy Benigno welcomed board members to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

July's Board minutes were discussed and approved.

1st Janelle Reed

2nd Angella Arndt

August Board Minutes were discussed and approved

1st Molly Phillips

2nd Amy Robertson

Treasurer Report-Debbie Burchard

August budget will be reported in September. Bank statement arrives 4th-5th of the month.

Presented proposed budget for final approval. A couple of corrections were made due to typos.

Discussed, edited and approved. 1st Barb Andysik

2nd Angella Arndt

Officer Reports

President- Windy Benigno

Windy requested a breakdown of items for the annual proposed budget. (eg Executive Board, Membership, Programs, Quilt Show, etc.) (Quilt Show breakdown example: opportunity quilt breakout to show costs for making the quilt, number of tickets purchased/sold, number of tickets disposed of. Etc)

Correspondence – Lori Lemmers (by Windy Benigno)

- Millard storage invoice received. Treasurer/President have copies)
- 2 pieces of mail for Angie Reed from Omaha Home for Boys & Project Harmony donations.
- Enrollment for Bonnie Hunter class received. Janelle is aware of it.
- Flyer for Bess Streeter Aldrich House & Museum, Elmwood, Ne
- Return of check #1010 from Trinity Lutheran Church. Assumed to be deposit return for previous year.

President Elect-Maureen Cass

No report. Maureen is still looking for board/committee members and nominating committee

Vice President Programming-Janelle Reed with Angella Arndt assisting

- September program is Peggy Martin. As of this meeting, there are still 4 openings in this class.
- October's meeting: Reporting \$600 in the black for speaker, Bonnie Hunter (BH), as of this meeting, but that does not include travel/food expenses yet. Travel expenses will be split

between the Lincoln and Grand Island guilds, because we are sharing this speaker. Both classes are full, with a waiting list. Deposit made for all books/class fees/rulers. Classes will be held at the Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Classes are Tropical Twist (Oct 8th) and Box Kites (Oct 9th)

- The evening event is taking place at the Trinity Lutheran Church Life Center off Lincoln Road, Papillion. Since we are expecting a large crowd, program chairs decided that we would forego the business-meeting portion for this event. Only essential matters will be discussed. We will have limited tables for OQG committees as well. OQG members get in free, guests will pay a \$10 special speaker fee at the door. There is a meet and greet portion as well as a trunk show.
- Angella announced programs she's prepared for the 2019-2020 OQG year. Not all months are filled yet.
 - September Elizabeth Grandberg – Hexie Panels
 - October Kelly Ashton – Zentangle Thread Play
 - November Linda Poole – Painted Applique
 - February Ilene Bartos – Fall Maple Leaf
 - March Tula Pink – no class, she doesn't teach. Trunk show & meet/greet (considering doing a ticketed event for a special meet/greet for Tula)

Advisor/Past President- Tammy Magill

No Report

Recording Secretary – Tammy Magill

No report

Unfinished Business

Discuss the survey results for the possibility of altering the months we meet for our 9 guild meetings – calendar must be approved before implementing any changes. Need printed survey results. Awaiting response from German-American Society (GAS) to see what months they are available.

New Business

Joslyn Art Museum is hosting a special event October 6th thru January 6th, featuring quilts/quilting. They are seeking volunteers to provide some hands on demonstrations for the 1st Saturday in November. This will be a family oriented program. Please see Janelle if interested in helping out. She is awaiting a reply from her contact at Joslyn for further information.

Committee Reports:

2019 Quilt Show- Nancy Wells

- We have 3 vendors signed up at this time.
- Nancy is still looking for members who have "Quilt Show" yard signs signed out; trying to decide if we need to order more.
- Nancy has started distributing bookmarks. Several board members took bookmarks to drop off at local shops.
- Nancy requested a table at the October meeting for the Opportunity Quilt.

Newsletter Editor/GroupsIO -Amy Robertson

- Items for the newsletter are due by Friday before the guild meeting so Amy can send the letter out to members.

- Reminder: Amy is announcing to the guild that we are closing down the Yahoo group.
- Maureen Cass, Debbie Burchard, Susan McDonnell, and Helen Nance need to be added to GroupsIO as committee members so they can receive notifications and other board discussions.

Webstitcher: Corinne Mittag

Corinne has received several updates for the website; hopes to have them uploaded before the guild meeting. Will send message to (page owner) as soon as update has been completed.

Historian/Photographer-Darcy Jorgensen-

No report

Membership Data-Molly Phillips

As of this meeting, we have 191 registered/paid members. Molly is asking for updates on all small groups. Will contact listed persons for current information for: small groups, teachers, long-armers, etc. Will provide an current roster for October's Bonnie Hunter meeting. Molly asked about the expected number of door prizes to be given away each month. The committee discussed and decided there is no written, hard rule of thumb. It was suggested maybe 6 if she can get that many.

Membership-Patricia Epps

Patricia reported for members to have their information in the 2018-2019 Membership Directory it must be to membership by September 25th. Books will be printed and available at the October meeting.

Committees (appointed and dissolved by President)

Camp WannaMakeaBlankie-Corinne Mittag, Amy Robertson

September will be the last chance for quilters to sign up for the camp. It is now opened to non-members. Approximately 40+ members signed up. Committee is continuing prep work.

Children's' Emergency Fund-Debbie McMillin-

- December 12 & 13 toys will be distributed. It's a good opportunity for a photo op. She is looking for members willing to assist. December 12th at 11am – people will help children choose toys, interact with families/case workers.
- Discussed using Target vouchers – she is looking for guidance from PromiseShip as to how these would work. We have confidence in the current system of distribution, but will entertain the use of vouchers for future events, if that is what we need to do for a more specific method of tracking goods.
- She requested a table at the October meeting to hand out stocking instructions and focus fabric.
Caring Friends Auction: Susan McDonnell
Santa's Workshop: Liz Fleming

Holiday Party-Angella Arndt-

Party is Tuesday, December 11th She will be meeting the GAS to finalize menu and other details.

Helping Hands-Angie Reed-

- Dee Acklie is looking for donations she can take to the women who are leaning to quilt at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Angie gave 3 cutting mats that were donated to Helping Hands. Dee is looking for solids for lone star quilts, but will accept prints as well. Will have tins available to fill.
- Hospice House quilt donation to be washed and labeled and delivered.

- Police Department received a quilt donation: for Special Olympics auction.
- College of St. Mary's Choir – quilt donated for auction.
- Angie has Facebook pages for each of her committees: the regular Helping Hands, Community Connections, and Hospice House. You can visit each page for progress, presentations and various other pictures.

Long Range Planning-Cindy Erickson-

No Report.

Librarian – Helen Nance

No report. Some correspondence went to Janelle, MSQC renewal, but they've taken care of it.

Small Groups-Molly Phillips-

Molly has heard from some small groups, but still seeking confirmation of POC's (points of contact) for others. She will bring it up at the meeting.

Properties-Andi Chakravarti-

- Due to the special event location, Andi needs help coordinating equipment and tables. She asked which committees needed a table at this event. (see individual committees for requests.) She discussed who is in charge of funds for the Opportunity quilt, sign-in desks, and someone to man the table for collecting the required \$10 entry fee. Treasurer is responsible for supply funds for the tables. Individual committees should coordinate with Treasurer for extra cash.
- Storage facility raised the fee \$14 – budget will need adjusting to reflect the yearly cost increase.
- Contact Colleen Simonsen to see if the woodworkers would be willing to refurbish the legs for the quilt stands for the show. They did such a good job last year on the headers.

2016 – 2017 Quilt Mom- Nancy Peters/Anne Beaty

- No update on tickets sold.
- Nancy & Anne are taking the quilt to Threads Across Nebraska (state guild) quilt show in Kearney. They are asking for volunteers to sit with the quilt while they are in a class.

Quilts for Veterans-Kerby Selmer-

- Kerby asked the budget to reflect the \$500 allowance approved from previous years.
- She is looking for names of guild members who are veterans so they can receive a QFV quilt at the November meeting.

Rising Stars-Fran Williamson-

No Rising Stars for October meeting due to special event.

Spring Fling Retreat-Angella Arndt-

Dates for Spring Fling are February 8-10. More information is forthcoming.

Bus Trip- Susan McDonnell

A destination has not yet been chosen. Jan Fry, Tammy Magill, and Susan McDonnell have a scouting trip planned for September 8th, checking out several shops in Iowa. Suggestions from the board were a trip to the Quilt Museum, with possibly a winery as a bonus. Tammy will relay suggestions to Susan.

Block Exchange-Barbara Andrysik-

- Block exchange is ready to go for the 2018-2019 year.
- The theme for this year is: Pets. It is a lot of applique.
- They plan to post patterns online to keep printing costs down.
- Since October is a major event with Bonnie Hunter, she plans to double up on blocks for September. Both September and October blocks will be ready for pickup at the September meeting.
- She requested a table for Block Exchange.

Golden Thimble-Amy Robertson/Elizabeth Kannady

Corinne Mittag is the incoming member for the Golden Thimble Award committee.

Announcements: Next board meeting will be October 2, 2018 at 7 pm

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm

1st Tammy Magill

2nd Angella Arndt

Submitted by: Tammy Magill, Recording Secretary

November 3, 2018

(Due to family emergency and unforeseen circumstances, I respectfully apologize for the lateness of these minutes. I thought the records needed to show the cause of delay for submitting minutes.)