

Omaha Quilter's Guild
Board Meeting
September 7, 2021

President Liz Fleming called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Angella Arndt, Amy Robertson, Kerby Selmer, Angie Reed, Barb Andrysik, Eilene Hengen, Nancy Wells, Liz Fleming, Janelle Reed, Windy Benigno, Dorothy Lange, Helen Nance, and Carol Nish.

Minutes from the August board meeting: Angella made a motion to approve the minutes. Amy Roberts seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report from July: Nancy Wells made a motion to approve the report. Eilene Hengen seconded the motion. The report was approved.

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President - Liz Fleming
No report

President-elect - Tania Uram
No report

Treasurer - Janelle Reed

Janelle renewed the 18 month CD in August. She informed the board that the money market account is accruing interest at .45%, the same rate as the new CD. Janelle reported that the guild currently has about \$8,000 in the checking account. She plans to move some of that money to the money market account. The current bank balance is \$86,206. The only current outstanding expense is the monthly fee of \$321 owed to the German American Society for our meeting room. Janelle reported that the accountant reviewed the books from last year and found everything to be in order. He also filed the tax forms. Janelle plans to put this cost in the budget next year as a line item.

Programs - Angella Arndt

Angella is working on the speakers/classes for 22/23. She currently has 5 speakers lined up. Angella informed the board that her term will be finished in May of 2022. It would be beneficial if someone could shadow her this year before taking over the position for 22/23. Announcements will be made at the general membership meeting and in the newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary - Dorothy Lange
No report

Recording Secretary - Carol Nish
No report

Past President / Advisor - Nancy Wells
No report

Newsletter - Amy Robertson
Amy needs all articles by Friday.

Membership - Molly Phillips
Molly sent a report announcing that we currently have 137 paid members. She is currently working on the membership book and plans to have it ready to hand out in October.

Photographer - Yvonne Wilson
No report

Quilt Show 2022 - Eilene Hengen, Helen Nance
Eilene reported that she and Helen are working on ideas for the challenge. Angella reported that the contract with Embassy Suites has been renewed for the next two years at the current price.

Block Exchange - Barb Andrysik
No report

Bus Trip - Susan McDonnell
No report

Camp Wannamakeablankie - Angella Arndt
Angella reported that there are currently 26 members signed up for camp. There is still room. Registration has been extended to September 10.

OQG Facebook - Michelle Craig
Vicki Hoskovec and Michelle will be working on the Facebook page together this year.

Golden Thimble - Windy Benigno, Linda Holman, Nancy Peters
No report

Helping Hands - Angie Reed
Angie reported that the German American Society has the floor plan for the sew-in. Andi will be bringing the ironing boards and Angie has the irons. The sew-in will run from 5 - 9 p.m. Angie is asking members to bring their machines. She invited a volunteer who is working on making "fidget" quilts for veterans to come and explain her project. Members will be able to work on those along with pillow cases and other projects that Angie will have ready that night. Members can also take a project home to work on.

Librarian - Helen Nance

Helen is ordering books that have been requested by members.

Long Range Planning - Cindy Erickson

No report

Mystery Quilt - Janelle is working on the mystery quilt. She will send out the first set of directions in October.

Properties - Andi Chakravarti

No report

Quilts for Veterans - Kerby Selmer

No report

Quilt Mom - Debbie Hanslip / Dorothy Lange

Tickets for the opportunity quilt will be available at the sew-in. The quilt will be traveling to Threads Across Nebraska in October.

Rising Stars - Eilene Hengen

No report

Spring Fling - Angella Arndt

This event is currently on hold.

Webstitcher - Vicki Hoskovec

No report

Holiday Party - Angella Arndt

Tickets will be available in October at the board meeting and at the general membership meeting. Tickets are \$25 per person.

Children's Emergency Fund - Debbie Millin

Debbie emailed a list of possible agencies to consider for our donations.

Caring Friends Auction - Susan McDonnell

No report

Santa's Workshop - Carol Nish

Donations are currently being accepted.

Stocking Challenge - Janelle Reed

Janelle has a limited amount of fabric available and it will be available at the meeting.

Old Business:

The committee working on the OQG 50 year celebration is still in the formation stage.

New Business:

Windy suggested that “holders and folders” at the meetings just walk across the front of the room with the speaker’s quilts rather than around the entire room. Members may check quilts up close after the meeting.

Amy reported that the Modern Quilt Guild is meeting at Westside Community Center, our old meeting location. The board discussed the possibility of moving our meeting back to that location, citing a number of benefits. The long range planning committee will look into this.

Announcements:

The next general membership meeting will be held on September 14, 2021.

The next board meeting will be held on October 5, 2021.

Angella made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Janelle Reed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.