Omaha Quilter's Guild General Membership Meeting May 10, 2022

President Liz Fleming called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Liz welcomed visitors and new members. She turned the meeting over to President-Elect Tania Uram.

Tania introduced the slate of officers for 2022-23:

President Elect - Eilene Hengen

Programs - Eilene Hengen and Yvonne Wilson

Corresponding Secretary - Dorothy Lange

Recording Secretary - Carol Nish

Treasurer - Janelle Reed

Past President - Liz Fleming

The vote to approve this slate of officers passed.

Tania then asked all the committee heads to come forward so that guild members could see how many people are involved in the business of the guild.

Newsletter - Amy Robertson

Membership - Molly Phillips

Photographer - Yvonne Wilson

Quilt Show 2023 - Liz Fleming

Block Exchange - Barb Andrysik

Camp Wannamakeablankie - Angella Arndt

Facebook - Vicki Hoskovec

Golden Thimble - Linda Holman, Windy Benigno, Nancy Peters

Helping Hands - Angie Reed

Librarian - Barb Trochim

Long Range Planning - Cindy Erickson

Mystery Quilt - Janelle Reed

Properties - Andi Chakravarti

Quilts for Veterans - Kerby Selmer

Quilt Mom - Zanteen Dean

Rising Stars - Betty Harmsen

Holiday Party - Angella Arndt

Children's Emergency Fund - Debbie McMillan

Caring Friends Auction - Nancy Wells

Santa's Workshop - Ona Steinauer

Stocking Challenge - Janelle Reed

Tania then thanked Liz for her service as president of our guild this year and presented her with a basket of fabric donated by guild members.

Liz then asked current committee chairs to come forward with their reports.

Camp Wannamakeablankie - Angella Arndt reminded members that camp will be held September 16-18. She had some registration forms at the meeting or they are available online. Registrations are due by July 10.

Caring Friends Auction - Nancy Wells invited members to donate a quilt for the auction at the holiday party. The proceeds go to help children in foster care in our area. Nancy told the guild members that the theme this year is "Anything Goes."

Quilt Show - Eilene Hengen thanked members for entering their quilts in the show. 246 quilts have been entered. She reminded members to put the label on the back of the quilt on the lower left side. She said that numbers will be assigned and posted on the website. Carol Nish thanked all who have already signed up to volunteer, noting that it takes a whole guild to put on a quilt show. We have filled about 50% of the volunteer spots. Carol was helping volunteers sign up at the meeting and noted that the signup is also available online. Eilene asked that any member or small group that wished to sponsor a ribbon contact her. Yvonne Wilson pointed out that a coupon for our quilt show is available in the latest Country Register. She also noted that bookmarks advertising our show have been available at area quilt shops and also at the Paducah Quilt Show.

Helping Hands - Angie Reed announced that Helping Hands will continue to meet all summer at Sew Creative on Tuesdays from 10:30 - 3:30.

Block Exchange - Barb Andrysik reported that April's blocks were collected and the winner was Denvia Capozio. Barb noted that the pattern for the May block is available if anyone would like to pick one up. Barb and Sally Grice are working on next year's block exchange.

Stocking Challenge - Janelle Reed announced that she has fat quarters available for \$3.00 each. They will also be sold in the fall.

Quilts for Veterans - Kerby Selmer announced that this group will be getting together to sew on May 28 at Fabric Bash from 9 - 4 p.m. She has kits for quilters to work on. Kerby told members that she would like to present quilts to veterans at the quilt show. If anyone knows of a veteran who could be presented with a quilt, they should let Kerby know.

Pine Ridge Donations - Dee Acklie thanked members for their donations of fabric, thread, notions, sewing machines, etc. The women at the reservation have been making ribbon skirts as well as quilts.

Quilter's Mercantile (at the quilt show) - Dee asked members to consider donating fat quarters, quilting supplies, patterns, etc. She noted that they have received fewer donations this year and are in need of items.

NE State Quilt Guild - Nancy Peters announced that she was selling tickets for the raffle quilt. The drawing will be held on July 24. Nancy also encouraged members to attend Quilt

Nebraska. The signup is online. She noted that the cost for two days of classes including food is \$160.

Library - Helen Nancy asked members to check on any books that they have been using throughout the year. She said that returns may be made in August. She also noted that a large number of older books were available at the back of the room for free. She encouraged members to take a look at them.

Membership - Standing in for Molly Phillips, Amy Robertson announced that 86 members were present along with 1 guest. She handed out a number of door prizes.

Golden Thimble - After detailing the many activities that this year's recipient has been involved in, Linda Holman, Windy Benigno, and Nancy Peters presented the award to Janelle Reed.

Program - Angella Arndt introduced Deanne Eisenman as the guest speaker. She gave a little background information on herself and her company, Snugglesquilts. She showed a number of scrap quilts that she has made. Guild members who took her class showed their pieces.

Show and Tell - Several members brought quilts to show.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish