

Omaha Quilter's Guild
Board Meeting
October 3, 2023

President Eilene Hengen called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Attendees: Eilene Hengen, Tania Uram, Liz Fleming, Janelle Reed, Mary Cave, Nancy Wells, Cindy Erickson, Barb Andrysik, Angie Reed, Ona Steinauer, Kerby Selmer, Patty Alexander, Yvonne Wilson, Amy Robertson, Debbie McMillin, Jessica Selega and Andy Chakravarti.

September board meeting: Eilene asked for additions or corrections to the minutes. Tania Uram made the motion to approve the minutes as written and the motion was seconded by Liz Fleming.

Treasurer's Report: Barb Andrysik made the motion to approve the treasurer's report as written and Cindy Erickson seconded the motion.

President Eilene Hengen reported that the guild was gifted 2 car loads of quilting fabrics and supplies from the brother of past member Carolyn Budler. She has sorted the items and will be sharing them amongst our groups.

President Elect: Kerby Selmer
No report

Programs: Yvonne Wilson says that 10 are signed up for the October class. There have been comments that the supply lists are not always posted on the website. She will list the supplies needed on the FaceBook page.

Corresponding Secretary: Dorothy Lange
No report

Recording Secretary: Tania Uram
No report

Treasurer: Patty Alexander
There was discussion about whether or not to allow credit card payments at the Christmas party for the live auction and for ticket purchases. It is thought that people might spend more if they are allowed credit purchases. Patty says that she will be at the party and will handle that. There was talk about figuring out the upcharge for the credit charges.

Past President/Advisor: Tania Uram
No report

Newsletter: Amy Robertson

Articles for the newsletter are due by Friday, October 6.

Membership Chair: Melissa Hamilton & Stacey Quandahl

We have 184 paid members and 6 who have signed up but haven't paid dues yet.

Photographer: Yvonne Wilson

No report

Quilt Show 2024: Liz Fleming

There was a quilt show meeting tonight; a few positions still need to be filled especially for the co chairman of the quilt show for the following year.

The theme for the quilt show is "Cut, Sew, Quilt...Repeat" and the guidelines for the challenge quilt were mentioned: a Visible circle, must be pieced or appliqued or combination of both, not more than 100" around and try to use mostly fabrics from your stash.

Block Exchange: Barb Andrysik

Barb showed us the block for October and the finished project where all the blocks form a Christmas tree wall hanging. She and Sally are working on ideas for the next year – it was mentioned that our 50th anniversary will be coming up in 2025 so perhaps a Gold theme might be appropriate.

Bus Trip: Melissa Bowders

She has some ideas for a 2-day trip and is working on the details.

Camp WannaMakeaBlankie: Angella Arndt

33 people have signed up and paid for camp dues.

OQG FaceBook: Amy Robertson, Nancy Wells

No report

Golden Thimble: Nancy Wells, Nancy Peters, Angella Arndt

This process will start in January.

Helping Hands: Angie Reed

Angie reported that 51 people came to the last meeting for the sew-in.

Librarian: Barb Trochim

No Report

Properties: Andy Chakravarti

She has some discussions with Jen Fox, the leasing agent for the Community Center where we hold our meetings. Jen says that they are short staffed and may not be able to accommodate

all of our requests for chair and table placement for our monthly meetings. We will be using round tables with the stage set-up as usual and with rectangular tables around the room perimeter. If we are not OK with this, Jen says we may want to look elsewhere. It is in our best interest to be open minded with the new seating arrangements as we like the location, lighting, etc. of this building and may face similar problems elsewhere.

Long Range Planning: Cindy Erickson
No report

Quilts for Veterans: Kerby Selmer
We received 13 yards of patriotic fabric to be used for quilts.

Quilt Moms: Kerby Selmer & Tania Uram
We are making contacts with quilt shops as venues for displaying our Opportunity quilt.

Rising Stars: Zanteen Dean & Fran Williamson
Chris from Acme Fabrics in Blair will be our speaker

Webstitcher: Vicki Hoskovec
No report

Holiday Party: Angella Arndt
The Party will be held on December 12th at the German American Society. Tickets are \$25 and will be available at the October meeting.

Children's Emergency Fund: Debbie McMillin & Jessica Selega
Debbie has talked with Abby at Project Harmony and they have made arrangements for collecting and setting up the donated toys from the holiday party. Volunteers will help starting at 8 AM the day after the party. Details will be in the newsletter.

Live Auction: Nancy Wells
Nancy is starting to take quilted items for the auction now

Santa's Workshop: Ona Steinauer
Ona has several volunteers lined up to help with the workshop. She has been getting some nice items for the boxes and baskets but says there is still a need for more baskets and fabrics.

Mystery Quilt: Janelle Reed
It is all set and ready to go.

Stocking Challenge: Molly Phillips
Janelle Reed will have the fat quarters for the stockings at the October meeting.

OQG 50 Year Committee: Cindy Erickson, Amy Robertson, Angella Arndt
No report

Old Business: Webmaster

Patty Alexander reported that she will be reviewing our contract for the Webmaster. Melissa Peters knows someone who may contract to handle our website. There was discussion about whose name to be put on the contract going forward concerning the domain name of our guild since it only needs to be renewed every 3-5 years.

New Business:

No report

Announcements:

No report

Next Guild meeting: October 10, 2023

Next Board meeting: November 7, 2023

Motion to adjourn: Janelle Reed and Cindy Erickson

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM