

Omaha Quilter's Guild  
Board Meeting  
May 2, 2023

President Tania Uram called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Eilene Hengen, Janelle Reed, Nancy Wells, Angie Reed, Barb Andrysik, Dorothy Lange, Patty Alexander, Liz Fleming, Kerby Selmer, Andi Chakravarti, Cindy Erickson, Amy Robertson, Nancy Peters, Tania Uram, Melissa Peters, and Carol Nish.

April board minutes: Tania asked for additions or corrections to the minutes. Nancy Wells made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Barb seconded the motion. All approved.

Treasurer - Janelle Reed

Janelle reported that the bank balance is currently \$988.36. The latest check for the payment to Westside for our meeting room has not been processed. Janelle is working on getting that resolved. She is planning to purchase a yearly subscription to Microsoft Office 365 for \$69.99. It was suggested that she look into the possibility of a complimentary subscription for nonprofit organizations. Janelle and Patty have met and are discussing the turnover for next year. Janelle will be able to get the startup cash for the quilt show.

Treasurer's report: Janelle handed out the treasurer's report. Tania asked for additions or corrections. Liz made a motion to approve the report as written. Eilene seconded the motion. All approved.

President - Tania Uram

Tania reported that Eilene received a call from a man who wished to donate quilting supplies that belonged to his mother. Tania accepted some items for the various programs in the guild that accept or need donations. Some of the larger items that he has may be advertised to guild members. They will be given contact information if they wish to purchase anything from him.

President-elect - Eilene Hengen

Eilene reported on the slate of officers that she will present at the May meeting:

President - Eilene Hengen, President-elect - Kerby Selmer, Treasurer - Patty Alexander, Programs - Yvonne Wilson, Corresponding Secretary - Dorothy Lange, Recording Secretary - Tania Uram, Past President/Advisor - Tania Uram, Newsletter/Groups.io - Amy Robertson, Membership - Melissa Peters and Stacy Quandahl, Photographer- Yvonne Wilson, Quilt Show - VOLUNTEER NEEDED, Block Exchange - Barb Andrysik, Camp WannaMakeaBlankie - Angella Arndt, OQG Facebook - Nancy Wells and Amy Robertson, Golden Thimble - Nancy Wells, Nancy Peters and another past president, Helping Hands - Angie Reed, Librarian - Barb Trochim, Properties - Andi Chakravarti, Long Range Planning - Cindy Erickson, Quilts for Veterans - Kerby Selmer, Quilt Mom - Kerby Selmer and Tania Uram, Rising Stars - Fran Williamson and Zanteen Dean, Webstitcher - Vicki Hoskovec, Holiday Party - Angella Arndt, Children's Emergency Fund - Debbie McMillin and Jessika Selega, Live Auction - Nancy Wells, Santa's Workshop - Ona Steinauer, Mystery Quilt - Janelle Reed, Stocking Challenge - Molly Phillips, OQG 50 Year Committee - Cindy Erickson, Amy Robertson, and Angella Arndt. Eilene also asked board members to sign up for a slot at the membership table at the quilt show. She would like to have 2 people per shift.

Programs - Eilene Hengen/Yvonne Wilson

Eilene reported that there is 1 open spot in the May workshop.

Corresponding Secretary - Dorothy Lange  
No report.

Recording Secretary - Carol Nish  
No report.

Past President / Advisor - Liz Fleming  
No report.

Newsletter - Amy Robertson  
Amy needs all articles for the newsletter by Friday. The newsletter goes out on Saturday.

Quilt Show - Liz Fleming  
Liz reported that we have 245 quilts entered. Some of these may be duplicates. The list is being proofread tomorrow.

Block Exchange - Barb Andrysik  
Barb and Sally have prepared gift bags for those who have participated every month. A hint for next year's exchange will be included along with a copy of an Amish quilt pattern for their own personal quilt.

Membership - Patty Alexander/Melissa Peters  
Patty reported that we have 217 paid members. Patty followed up the discussion from last month with answers regarding the Square reader. After much discussion, a motion was made by Amy to try a soft start with membership at the quilt show. Credit or debit will be accepted with a \$1 convenience fee added to cover the costs. Patty seconded the motion. The motion was approved. This trial will be reviewed in July and we will move forward from there. Melissa will also be going over the membership form. A discussion was held with ideas for helping new members find a small group to join.

Photographer - Yvonne Wilson  
No report.

Camp WannaMakeaBlankie - Angella Arndt  
No report.

OQG Facebook - Nancy Wells, Amy Robertson  
Everything seems to be running smoothly.

Golden Thimble - Nancy Wells, Nancy Peters, Windy Benigno  
Nancy reported that the recipients have been chosen and the award will be handed out at the meeting. A new person will be added to this group to replace Windy Benigno for next year.

Helping Hands - Angie Reed  
No report.

Library - Barb Trochim  
No report.

Properties - Andi Chakravarti

Andi asked for any special setup requests. A request was made to have the doors remain open before Rising Stars meets. There has been some trouble with the doors locking.

Long Range Planning - Cindy Erickson

No report.

Quilts for Veterans - Kerby Selmer

No report.

Quilt Mom - Zanteen Dean

Tania reported for Zanteen that she has 2 more places arranged for the quilt. Cindy asked Zanteen to contact her.

Rising Stars - Betty Harmsen

Tania reported for Betty that Cindy will be teaching how to do a mitered border.

Webstitcher - Vicki Hoskivec

No report.

Holiday Party - Angella Arndt

No report.

Children's Emergency Fund - Debbie McMillin

No report.

Live Auction - Nancy Wells

No report.

Santa's Workshop - Ona Steinauer

No report.

Mystery Quilt - Janelle Reed

Janelle will be asking members (via the newsletter) to bring finished quilt tops to the May meeting.

Stocking Challenge - Janelle Reed

Molly Phillips will be doing the stocking challenge next year. Janelle reported that Molly has purchased the fabric.

OQG 50 Year - Cindy Erickson, Amy Robertson, Angella Arndt

No report.

Old Business:

The board discussed working with contractors for next year.

New Business:

None.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be held on May 9, 2023.

The next board meeting will be held on July 11, 2023.

Nancy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Liz. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish