

STEERING COMMITTEE

March 15, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Pam Doffek at 7:00. The following members were excused: Lucy Patrick, Heather Strickland, Roberta Granville, Jeanne Billings, Jeanne Brenner, Elizabeth Hawker, Stephanie Guttman, and Peggy Clark. In attendance were Karen Skinner, Geni Rains, Jennifer Colley, Hattie Pennie, Kerry Cohen, Wanda Crowe, Betty Rinkel, Michele Hackmeyer, Karen Kunz, Marsha Walper, Susan Skornia, Susan Dickerson, Peggy Allen, and Judy Stricklin.

The minutes of the January 19 Steering Committee were reviewed and three changes made: "members are not expected to buy \$20 of tickets" should be \$10, "Marsha Walper, who is handling the new Quilters Delight" should be Quilters Treasure, and "the 2016 Opportunity Quilt is called "Beachy" should be "Just Beachy". A motion was made by Michele Hackmeyer to accept the minutes as amended, it was seconded by Karen Kunz and was approved.

The budget was reviewed. Susan asked if member dues are posted as of the due date or on the date actually received; they are posted when received.

Old Business

Pam reminded members that electronic copies of notebooks are due by April 1.

Geni Raines reported on tickets for the Opportunity Quilt. State statute requires that each ticket must show the date, time, and place of the drawing. It is not necessary that tickets have sequential numbers. It was proposed that tickets be printed in black and white with the following information: Quilters Unlimited Opportunity Quilt, space for time, date, and place of drawing which can be added with a rubber stamp, space for the buyer's name, address, and phone number, and "need not be present to win". Members were reminded that when selling tickets it is important to use the terminology "suggested donation" to comply with laws concerning drawings, and that if someone wants a ticket and does not want to make a donation, we are required to give them one ticket. Since we need the tickets before the next Steering Committee meeting, Geni will obtain prices and report to Pam who will contact members of the Steering Committee for authorization.

The Helping Hands report is in progress and being reviewed.

Wanda Crowe reported that the Block of the Month information is ready to go on the computer, it has been sent to Jessica Duke who will post current blocks and those for April, May and June.

Karen Kunz asked that reminders be made at meetings and in the newsletter for members to notify Jeanne Billings of members with illness or a death in the family.

New Business

Susan Dickerson reported that, even though the deadline for dues was January 31, many were not paid until March. As of this date, 172 members have paid, and 62 of last year's members have not paid.

Karen Skinner has sent emails to these members reminding them of dues, but it is normal to have some drop out. It was emphasized that it is the responsibility of members to pay on time and that those in arrears will be dropped from the directory; however Michele usually checks the attendance rolls and includes those who have attended during the last 3 months.

Pam demonstrated methods of using the microphone more effectively and suggested that users adjust the stand for correct height.

Marsha presented proposed Practices and Procedures for the Awards Committee. Several changes were suggested to clarify membership. The amended P&P will be sent to Pam for review and to send out.

Marsha reported on the Quilters Treasure which was won by Linda Stright at the March meeting. Sales of tickets netted \$366, and a new Treasure will be presented at the next meeting.

Geni asked if the Opportunity Quilt budget will allow for fliers or posters to publicize the quilt. The museum is doing posters for the challenge quilts, and she will coordinate with Hattie about publicity for the Opportunity Quilt.

There were comments concerning the room temperature at the last meeting, and Pam will coordinate with Temple staff concerning this.

Reports

City Hall Show: Jennifer reports that she has received 40 applications. There have been some problems receiving pictures on electronic applications but this has been resolved. Amanda at COCA will be doing all the advertising. Quilts will be collected at the next meeting.

Museum Show: Hattie reports that the electronic applications are working. There will be a 50" TV showing continuous pictures, and they would like photos, especially those taken at meetings and Sit & Stitch groups. Philanthropic projects would also be good.

Michele has stands for the signs designating committee tables for meetings.

Karen Skinner reports the deadline for the next newsletter is April 1.

Peggy Clark will be the new trip chairperson.

Pam will be appearing at 6 a.m. tomorrow morning on WTXL TV (Channel 27) for "Pinterest Party". She will demonstrate using colored pencil on fabric to make a mug rug.

Suisan Skornia noted that steering committee dates are not listed the schedule in the newsletter. Jessica will be contacted to correct this.

Geni asked about updating Facebook links, and she and Karen Skinner will work on this.

The next Steering Committee will meet on May 17.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Jennifer to adjourn, it was seconded by Peggy, approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Stricklin, Secretary