

MINUTES

Steering Committee

May 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pam Doffek with a quorum present. Those attending were Karen Kunz, Hattie Pennie, Stephanie Guttman, Roberta Grenville, Jennifer Colley, Susan Dickerson, Marsha Walper, Susan Skornia, Kerry Cohen, Lucy Patrick, Karen Skinner, Betty Rinkel, Judy Stricklin, and Pam. Members excused were Michele Hackmeyer, Heather Strickland, Jeanne Brenner, and Peggy Allen.

The following additions were made to the Agenda: (3c) Quilt show increase, (3d) Audit report, (4g) Labels, and (5b) Challenge quilt update. A motion was made by Roberta Granville and seconded by Marsha Walper to accept the agenda as amended, and was approved by voice vote.

Minutes of the previous meeting had been published for review on the web site. A motion was made by Karen Skinner and seconded by Karen Kunz to accept the minutes, and the motion was passed.

The Profit and Loss Budget for the calendar year 2015 was reviewed and questions discussed concerning income from workshops by visiting teachers versus classes taught by members, sales tax expenses on boutique income, and income from Challenge Quilt rules.

Old Business

Changes to Policies and Procedures for the Awards Committee had been discussed at the last meeting. A motion to accept the changes was made by Kerry Cohen, seconded by Karen Skinner, and passed by the committee.

The Advertising and Sales web page is still under development; Pam is working with Stephanie.

Stephanie Guttman has completed the audit, and reported on her findings.

New Business

In June Peggy Allen will announce the Nominating Committee for next year's officers. Members will include the president-elect, two members from the Steering Committee, and two members from the general membership. She is soliciting volunteers.

Inquiries have been received concerning listing sit and stitch groups not consisting of guild members. Issues of liability, enforcement, and the perception of unfriendliness were discussed. It was noted that some listed groups have non-guild members, and that many groups listed are not accepting new members. A consensus will be reached at the next meeting.

Former member Terry Cauley had inquired concerning donating some quilting books. It was agreed to accept as long as she understands that it is the decision of the guild whether the books are added to the permanent collection.

It was agreed to renew the contract with Temple Israel for using the meeting room for guild and steering committee meetings. The contract will be for 18 months to bring it into alignment with the budget year.

Peggy Clark has made arrangements for a bus for members to attend the Jacksonville Quilt Show on September 17.

Karen Skinner asked if there was interest in holding another Sewing Party. It was agreed that fall might be a good time, either at Woodville or Chaires. She also suggested considering holding a retreat at Norman Park, a Baptist church camp near Moultrie where Suzanne's Quilt Shop used to sponsor retreats. Accommodations for Friday and Saturday nights plus 6 meals would cost approximately \$185. She will research this for spring of 2017.

Karen Kunz showed labels she had purchased saying "from Quilters Unlimited", and suggested attaching them to quilts for the Silent Auction or that we give away (subject to project restrictions).

Reports

City Hall Show: Jennifer Colley says that the show has been hung, and Amanda from COCA was concerned about the liability of picking up and delivering quilts, and that shows will occur no more than every 2 years. Including quilts from the women's jail project was discussed. She also noted that many members failed to follow instructions concerning dowels for hanging.

Museum Show: Hattie Pennie says the museum is still having leakage problems. The show will still be held but will be shortened by a week, and less hanging space is available. Measures have been taken to protect items from water.

Silent Auction: Karen Kunz reports that she has space for 41 items. She will need assistance adding hanging sleeves.

Membership: At the last meeting Susan Dickerson reported that 62 old members had failed to renew; many of those have paid their dues and we have 8-10 new members for a total of 172 members as of March.

Nominations for the Distinguished Quilter award need to be submitted by June 1.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be July 19. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Stricklin