Quilters Unlimited Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2023

Meeting held at Leroy Collins Public Library, Meeting Room A

1) Eleven members were in attendance, to include 2023 Elected Officers, Standing and Support Committee Chairs: Peggy Clark, Janet Taylor, Sue Isaac, Peggy Allen, Deborah Kelly, Rachel Smith, Ann Gaber, Ellen Fournier, Michele Hackmeyer, Jane Jordan and Jeanne Brenner

Peggy Clark called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

2) The November 2022 minutes were discussed. Rachel Smith felt that wording of the attendees' portion was not clear and suggested possible alterations. Many in the group added suggestions as well. Sue Isaac moved to insert the word "Officers" and Jeanne Brenner seconded the motion. Peggy Clark agreed to make changes in the language to provide clarity. Rachel Smith brought up a second concern regarding the Policies and Procedures language to be added. In particular, the Standing Committee "Internet", remarking that several different members were chairing different aspects of Internet duties. Sue Isaac explained that the word "Internet" was the umbrella for all things falling in the realm of internet. Michelle Hackmeyer moved to accept the minutes when edited as discussed, and Sue Isaac seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

New Business:

- 3) Peggy Clark clarified that the next Steering Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 16, 2023.
- 4) Rachel Smith brought the issue of Liability Insurance to the committee. The cost has increased both last year and in the current year. Rachel felt the latest increase was significant and brought up the possibility of contacting an insurance broker to get quotes for an alternate provider. Jeanne Brenner pointed out that workshops also need to be covered. Peggy Clark stated that the number of people attending the meetings, not the number of members, should be the figure on which the policy is based.
- 5) Peggy Clark brought up the upcoming Lemoyne Show. Peggy reiterated the dates of the show and read notes provided by Pam Doffek.
- 6) It was determined that a discussion and vote on Policies and Procedures, had been addressed in the November meeting.
- 7) The topic of upcoming workshops included a discussion of a workshop to be conducted by Barb Linares, owner of Crafty Threads LLC, Valdosta, Georgia. Peggy Clark has been communicating with Barb and discussed the possibility of a class demonstrating the Judy Niemeyer, Quiltworx pattern, Prismatic Star. Barb suggested August or October of this year for potential workshop dates. Peggy thinks that August 12th or 19th may be the best dates for the guild. The cost per attendee is to be determined. Sue Isaac made a motion for Peggy Clark to pursue organizing the workshop. Ellen Fournier seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Ellen Fournier discussed the considerations of the upcoming "Swap Meet" to be held during the March 2023 Guild meeting. In the past this event has been known as Trash and Treasure. Considerations include:

No arrivals to the meeting prior to 5:30

Tables configured differently than a typical meeting, with vendor name(s) displayed on tables No early or pre-shopping; vendors should cover wares once set up

Merchandise can vary; not strictly sewing or quilting

Each vendor is responsible for having change on hand for transactions

Peggy Clark suggested setting up a Guild vendor table to sell the merchandise remaining from the Fall festivals and craft shows. Jeanne Brenner offered that a portion of the items should be set aside to donate to the LeMoyne Show, to assist in meeting our obligation. These items would need to be approved for LeMoyne inclusion by either Pam Doffek or Karen Kunz. Jane Jordan discussed the possibility of including items from Quilter's Treasure on a Guild vendor table.

In mentioning Quilter's Treasure, Jane Jordan also thought a change in frequency and methodology of the Quilter's Treasure baskets should be considered. Jane suggested moving to a twice a year schedule of 3 months per round, with the basket being awarded in the last month. Possibly, April/May/June and August/September/October.

8) Peggy Clark brought up the topic of venue issues with Temple Israel. In discussions with Lisa, of Temple Israel, Peggy agreed that children do not attend the Guild meetings. Also, items can not be placed or stacked in the entry/foyer area of Temple Israel. If a member needs to unload a vehicle of several loads to bring in, they should be placed on the outside of the doors and moved en masse to the meeting room. Peggy is in possession of a Temple key fob. To pass through the doors with the key fob, the green light above the door must be lit.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Submitted by Deborah Kelly, Secretary