

**ACTION ITEM indicated by yellow highlighting**

Susan Ainsworth Smith opened the meeting at 6:30 pm

Present: Susan Ainsworth Smith, Debbi Ragland, Delleen Kompkoff, Donna Taylor, Linda Gaudette-Sigel, Ann Marie Rears, Tricia Crockett, Barb Junor, Julie Hale, Debbie Johnsen, Shirley Workman, Liz Prom, Pam Hunt

1. Approval of Prev Board and Member meeting minutes: both were approved
2. Future guild ideas/activities: discussed and agreed upon as noted, or moved to next meeting's agenda
  - a. Secret buddy
  - b. VP preview of upcoming speakers
  - c. Fat quarters vs gift cards for birthdays
    - i. Julie suggested a fat quarter for every member who has a birthday that month
    - ii. Ann Marie will work with Patty Salvey-Sunde to source FQ from guild's stash beginning in March 2024
    - iii. Debbie J. suggested FQ could be distributed by several members during meeting
  - d. Guild members & volunteerism and higher membership fees
    - i. Delleen was concerned this could be a bookkeeping 'nightmare'
    - ii. Tricia recommended a committee to study service hours tied to prorated membership fees
  - e. Business membership roundup MOVED TO NEXT BOARD MEETING AGENDA
  - f. Membership cost prorated for members who renew late? What would that look like? ½ price for six months or less? MOVED TO NEXT BOARD MEETING AGENDA
3. February Meeting Details:
  - a. VPs - February Program: Pam
    - i. Four 'stations' in meeting room: Slow Stitching, Paper Piecing, FB's "I Found a Quilted Heart" to be 'sown' in the community, Beginning Hand Quilting
    - ii. Setup for Craig: by Monday, 1/29 by Pam and other VPs to Julie
  - c. Raffle baskets: instead of free tickets for name tag, secret word, etc., members will purchase tickets (at door?) for \$1 each or 6/\$5. Susan has a budget for items.
4. Elections:
  - a. VP, Secy, Membership in August 2024: be looking for and thinking about nominees
  - b. Secy this year has offered to remain for two years if board agrees
5. Suggested change of length of office for Board Members 18-month term?
  - a. Have a 3-month mentee/learning period/12-month service/3-month liaison for new BM period?
  - b. Discussion: would prospects be nominated 4 months before election? By-laws would require change and approval
  - c. Barb, Shirley Workman and Raye Ann agreed to work on this and report back before April 2024 Board meeting
6. Suggestions/edits to New Member Packet (housed on website)

- a. Susan asked all present to take a look on Google Docs to see edits thus far and make comments
  - b. Linda G-S described process of Membership adding new member to Mail Chimp, then new member gets a packet via email; this takes about one week once entered
7. July meeting changed to TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2024 due to Independence Day falling on a Thursday; this will be re-announced at every membership meeting until then to make sure all are aware
8. Procedure manual update
- a. Raye Ann has several drafts describing positions & responsibilities; unsure if example format will work smoothly and has another example to try
  - b. Barb asked about Master Calendar placement in manual: link to it will be near first pages of manual, likely near general meeting info
9. National Quilt Day: Saturday, Mar 16, 2024 Mt. View CC, 9 am to 3 pm (8 am to 4 pm for committee members-potentially, per Julie)
- a. Ideas for activities:
    - Delleen: Make pillowcases for Fill-A-Stocking group
    - Either offer kits to be sewn at NQ Day or make up kits to be taken home
    - Would need sewing machines set up
  - b. Equipment/tables:
    - 3 - 4 tables for pods/stations
    - Stage: cutting mats, Fabric Finds
    - Irons/boards
    - Power strips
  - c. Fees:
    - Community members who are non-members? Invite them to pay \$35 and join guild
  - d. Set up and clean up - Committee members do all; return everything to proper place and leave vacuumed thoroughly
10. Quilt Show: Shirley Workman
- a. Raffle Quilt planning meeting Friday, 1/26/24, 1:00 pm @ Raye Ann's home
  - b. General planning meeting #1 Saturday, 2/3/24, 10:00 am @
  - c. Show dates are tentatively Friday, October 11 and Saturday, Oct 12, 2024
  - d. Columbia Gorge and Skip-A-Week Guilds are hosting shows on the same weekend; should we advertise/coordinate to 'make a weekend' of the shows?
11. Deadlines for Canva/Newsletter & Emails sent via MailChimp Linda Gaudette Smith  
February 26th Newsletter Deadline for March 7 Membership Meeting
12. Equipment: Ann Marie Rears
- a. Inventory? AM would like to know what she should count in storage facility
    - Shirley would like to have all quilt show items counted
  - b. Flannel & Fleece February to resume
  - c. Wool
    - Carolyn Johnson would like to sell to her rug-hooking group; board agreed
    - Patty S-S is collecting wool
  - d. Susan is bringing tubs of fabric to Fabric Finds
  - e. Julie reports "Erin" is new person to liaison with in church office; Craig is Erin's boss

f. Linda Shaul is the 'procurer of items' from the free table for the Summer Sale

General announcement: Board discussed blood donations as a service to the community; idea was favorable and may be announced during membership meeting. Linda G-S noted the donation center in Wood Village next to Jamba Juice.

Susan Ainsworth Smith ended the meeting at 8:04 pm  
Raye Ann Yapp, MHQG Secretary