

MHQG Board Meeting 4/20/2023

Susan Ainsworth-Smith started the meeting at 6:30 pm

11 Members present: Delleen Kompkoff, Susan Ainsworth-Smith, Denise Bush, Ann Marie Rears, Barb Junor, Debbie Stoffer, Deb O'Donnell, Julie Hale, Donna Taylor, Raye Ann Yapp, Lori Oathes

The May speaker at the member's meeting will be Jenny Jo Lamb of Lamb Farm Designs

May meeting will include class sign up for Nancy Goldsworthy's Threadplay class to be held on May 13, 2023. UFO Challenge and block of the month table, Skip A week fabric sales, and the free table

The board voted to increase member dues to \$35.00 per year and business member dues to \$60.00 per year beginning with the July membership renewals. The raise is necessary due to the increase in not only the monthly room rent at the church but also the added month during the summer which had been held at the park. Another expense increase is the larger storage unit that is now housing the equipment and fabric for the guild. Also to keep in mind that speaker fees range from \$350.00 to \$500.00. The price is even higher for out of town speakers who need accommodations.

Open for ideas on business member fees - different levels - corporate, bronze silver, gold, etc...and just what those fees will include.

There was a fundraising suggestion to have members find out if their employers or family member's employers make donations to community service entities.

The board approved for Ann Marie Rears to be the equipment manager for the guild. This is not an elected board position, but more of a committee. She will be in charge of the inventory and everything that is kept in the storage unit and taking care of fabric finds. Ann will be picking up more tubs for easier handling and management of the fabric and will be responsible for getting fabric and other items to and from the member's meetings and various functions. Susan and Ann Marie will draft an actual job description.

Next quilt show will be in October of 2024

The VP position will be split into 2 rolls, that of VP and the other to be Program Coordinator. These positions are responsible for obtaining speakers for guild meetings and finding additional business members to advertise in the monthly newsletter.

Delleen Kompkoff introduced Raye Ann Yapp who is interested in becoming the new Guild Secretary in July. She is already coming up with new and fresh ideas such as the maintaining of the guild calendar.

Debbie Stoffer will be retreat coordinator for the November 11,12,13, 2024 retreat which will be held at Oregon Garden. Member's will pay the guild for their retreat fees which will cover the sewing room, lunch, coffee and tea. Members will arrange their own accommodations, which are at a reduced rate at the resort for retreaters of \$139.00 per night - double room - and dinner is on your own.

The retreat coordinator email address is to be switched from Stephanie to Debbie

What to do with the non-refundable deposit at the Estacada retreat location...Debbie will call and find out if we could possibly have a 1 day sewing event or meeting so we don't lose our deposit.

We still have another day's use of the classroom at the church. Delleen could arrange a charity sew day after June 15th. The room is already paid for, included in the guild rent contract.

Class refund policy

Some teachers charge per student while others have a flat fee. A timeline is needed for refunding fees. A check with other guilds to find out what they do is needed to come up with a good policy. Julie Hale, Donna Taylor, and Debbie Stoffer will do the research.

The Semi-annual board meeting will be held June 15, 2023 from 4 to 8 pm in the church meeting room.

Another machine embroidery person is needed to help Barb Junor make name tags for the members. Check with Carol Sandberg for ideas of a person if there is someone who might be interested from the machine embroidery small group. Ann Marie has some thread and stabilizer to donate. She and Barb Junor will get together and discuss it further.

The design wall that Debbie Stoffer purchased will be paid for out of the VP budget. The design wall will be used for BOM displays and for speaker's displays.

Lori Oathes will not be at the meeting in May. Delleen is requesting to have cafeteria tables for her community outreach area. Craig needs to know that we require about 110 chairs in the audience seating area. There were not enough chairs at the last meeting and some members were left to their own devices to find a place to sit.

Susan Ainsworth Smith ended the meeting at 8:00 pm

Denise Bush
MHQG Secretary