October 2023 Board Meeting MHQG 10/19/2023

Meeting opened by Susan Ainsworth Smith at 6:40 pm

Present: Donna Taylor, Barb Junor, Debbie Johnsen, Deb O'Donnell, Shirley Workman, Julie Hale, Patti Salvey-Sunde, Delleen Kompkoff, Liz Prom, Raye Ann Yapp, Tricia Crockett

November Speaker: VP Liz Prom - has confirmed Rose Parr (Ergonomics Topic) for November meeting; the contract has details. Ms. Parr will use Zoom from Canada; Julie will coordinate with Craig to get her connected, as well as connect with new Zoom person Elizabeth Michaels. Questions from the audience will need to be handled on cell phones remote from Elizabeth's laptop.

Signage: Susan would like consistent signage at tables; balloons were okay but signs would be clearer, even if members gathered in front of tables potentially blocking sign view.

Meetings: Members who wish to make announcements need to contact VPs two weeks prior to meeting to ensure announcements won't interfere with speaker time, or, notify Susan since she has the full meeting agenda.

T - shirts: Decision to hold on final design until January '24...still in development phase.

Officer/Committee Replacement: Tricia is still considering taking the President position, the search for a Treasurer continues. Several hopeful avenues have been unsuccessful. Donna will be on hand to train the new Treasurer. Susan Ainsworth Smith may activate the phone tree with Marie Anderson to call members for leads. Donna will provide details about Treasurer responsibilities, timing, time commitment. The idea of a co-treasurer came up to help with the extensive work involved in this position. Raye Ann volunteered to spearhead a policy and procedures manual project to collect and record guild info in one place; Julie suggested a master calendar be included.

Benevity: Delleen reports after completing required application; we have been accepted by Benevity, who manages charitable donations. Liz and Tricia have a friend who is a grant writer and will get info from her regarding grants.

Delleen also asked the board for permission to give Stephanie of Columbia River Inclusive Services time to make a brief announcement at the November meeting about the tactile quilts for vision impaired infants; Stephanie would also like info about the guild for the CRIS organization.

Element3Health: Deb O. shared an email from E3H explaining more about their program; Deb described it works similar to an app where members sign up individually and report their qualifying activities. Medicare Advantage plans provide a "kickback" to the guild for activities reported; it's open to anyone 55 or older, so the gap in age was noted with a question as to how

members not yet on Med Advantage plans would generate revenue. Not presented to membership yet, but many at this meeting found the idea worth pursuing. More research to be done, and, have an E3H rep Zoom in during a meeting?

Charge for replacement name tags: Barb said \$5.00 would cover the cost of fabric and thread.

Cleaning up Board emails: Deb O. asked if Linda Danley (Open Sew coordinator) would like to have the Open Sew email address? She would receive board group emails. Deb will check for a name assignment.

Website takeover: Deb O. reports Linda Gaudette-Sigel is quickly learning website duties and doing an amazing job with all aspects.

Speaker for September 2024: Tricia reports that Vickie Connelly will be speaking to three other guilds in our area and wondered if we should try to engage her as well, possibly by teaming with other guilds? Ms. Connelly asks for financial support of her lodging (she'll be camping nearby) as part of her compensation. She can only do a Zoom meeting one month (\$400) then do a class the following month (\$750). Tricia is emailing back and forth. It was suggested we think about joint meetings with other guilds.

Annual Board Meeting: Monday, December 11th, 2023, 4 - 9 pm, Room 112 at Mt. View First of two notices need to go into November newsletter Agenda:

Nominate officers

Annual calendar - take a look at it

Dates for Fall '24 Quilt Show

Start planning meetings January 2024: Shirley Workman wishes to be at church availability/planning meetings

March National Quilting Day Workshop

Fabric Donation Management: Patti has been sorting by yardage types and sizes. Patti's presence at the sale table last meeting impacted the revenue positively. Shirley Workman will email the donation receipt to Patti; Delleen has a template to be included with the receipt that gives a lot of guild activity info.

Shirley Workman ordered 500 bookmarks; she'll drop them off to Cedar Ridge, Pioneer, Mill End (Tricia volunteered since she works there), Quilting Delights, My Q Loft, and Feather Your Nest. Deb Johnsen will monitor the inventory at each site.

Susan ended the meeting at 8:22 pm. Submitted by Raye Ann Yapp, MHQG Secretary