

## September 2023 MHQG Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom, 09/21/23, from 6:33 pm to 8:23 pm

Present: Susan Ainsworth Smith, Liz Prom, Pam Hunt, Tricia Crockett, Delleen Kompkoff, Barb Junor, Ann Marie Rears, Debbie Johnsen, Donna Taylor, Raye Ann Yapp, Julie Hale, Bernie Andreotti, Deb O'Donnell, Linda Gaudette-Sigel, Patty Salvey-Sunde, Debbie Stoffer, Lori Oathes.

1. October meeting details per VPs: Janet Fogg, quilting and applique. November meeting details: Rose Parr (on Zoom from Canada).

Julie Hale noted if speakers want to display slides they must be loaded for display in a certain way – see Craig.

Susan noted the Guild may do a monthly Facebook event.

Tables: 24's a Charm does need more space to spread out, so may move to area just behind Treasurer's spot, on the opposite side of the AV "desk" from Delleen; BOM had enough space.

2. BOM: Lori suggests asking Craig for more chairs as attendance in September was 100-plus. Julie noted we have a 72" x 72" portable design wall for use in displaying BOMs; no need to display all duplicate blocks. Tricia has a portable wall/popup and will try to have in place for October meeting.

3. Budget YTD: Liz asked if monies roll over from previous fiscal year, and if so, could extra funds be used to book a "fancy" speaker? Deb O. asked if speakers could be posted in a calendar on the VP page for the next six months? Lori noted we have a Zoom calendar, and Deb said it's on the "About" page of the website.

4. Signage at meetings: Susan would like consistent signage at meeting tables that includes the Guild logo. Suggestions followed: balloons from Dollar Store with paper sign taped to it, balloons on straw stand on each table; Susan asked all to do some thinking to avoid having banners which get blocked by members visiting tables.

Signage outside room entrance: Sandwich board; Liz offered to keep the board and bring to meetings, sticky suction cup with a hook to hold sign in window of entry door, Crown Trophy makes signs and will have our logo on file from ribbons for quilt show.

5. T-shirts: Just for Board members, or for all members? Consider black for board members and other colors for general members (helps general members identify Board members for help/questions). Other discussion: Board members purchase own black T-shirt and Debbie Stoffer and Donna Taylor will embroider names. Questions: Retreat T-shirts? Minimum order? Sizing? Budget? – each will buy own shirt. For sale to general membership? Again, Crown Trophy does T-shirts, will have our logo, and may allow smaller quantities. Tricia will inquire at Crown.

6. Stitching Comforts: Delleen reported that eight members were at the first Community Sew Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. She has also met with two additional groups who make tactile quilts for babies with vision impairment, and who sew Christmas stockings for those in need (Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart in Oregon City). She hopes the Guild will sew the tactile blocks and the Community Sew people will put them together to make a quilt. See the Newsletter for details about a box to collect the completed blocks. Also, any leftover Christmas fabrics donated to the sale table will go to the Fill a Stocking project; see the Newsletter for

details. Delleen will approach leaders of both projects about briefly speaking to the guild in the very near future. She stressed in messaging the general members that this is voluntary, not mandatory.

Non-agenda'd discussion:

Newsletter submission deadline: Monday after board meeting, 8 pm

Linda Gaudette-Sigel is learning website duties with training from Deb O, and will eventually take it on.

Photos or avatars of members on website?? Log into a spreadsheet on website to find members (Debbie Stoffer has a spreadsheet with examples)? Updating would be cumbersome. No conclusion at the time of this discussion.

7. Equipment Manager: Ann Marie has spoken with Patti Salvey-Sunde about assisting with intake, sorting, cutting, and storage of donated fabrics. AM shared a key with Patti; they will share meeting with donors at the storage unit. Donations will go on the Fabric Sale Table; October for Christmas fabrics, December for flannels, February for panels. We are doing every other month, alternating with Garfield Skip a Month Guild.

8. Bookmarks: Template is on Canva; add Guild PO Box to avoid church getting Guild mail. If you want changes, text Delleen or Deb O. before editing. Deb O. will order. Tricia will distribute to My Quilting Loft, Craft Warehouse, Feather Your Nest, Mill End Store, and others. Estimated number to order was four hundred to a thousand; unsure of exact quantity decided.

9. New President and Treasurer for 2024: Ad Hoc may ask members if interested; Lisa Rhuman and Tricia Crockett were mentioned for President, and Raye Ann will call members from Summer Sale volunteer list who mentioned careers in banking. Donna noted that we need a new laptop and new QuickBooks program (monthly fee required), but is not confident configuring a new laptop with new software. She also thinks there is a free QB for non-profits? Discussion ensued about shared, co-officer positions; this was generally supported by this group, along with including incoming officers in board meetings, training, etc. prior to their taking office.

10. Renewals, deadline for password (change end of October): Barb noted the access password changes in order to exclude non-members; we should have a message when someone attempts to use an old password that it's time to renew or join and have a link to those areas. The new password will be Needle24!

Susan ended the meeting at 8:23 pm.

Submitted by Raye Ann Yapp, MHQG Secretary