

OQG Board meeting
April 2, 2024

President Eilene Hengen called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Members present: Barb Trochim, Angella Arndt, Janelle Reed, Eilene Hengen, Tania Uram, Nancy Wells, Molly Phillips, Melissa Hamilton, Patty Alexander, Ona Steinauer, Liz Fleming, Yvonne Wilson, Barb Andrysik, Kerby Selmer, Jessica Selega, Angie Reed, and Andi Chakravarti.

The minutes of the March 2024 meeting were approved as written by Janelle Reed and seconded by Patty Alexander.

The March treasurer's report was viewed by members and approved as written. Barb Andrysik and Liz Fleming moved to accept the report.

President Eilene Hengen showed us several antique quilts that were donated; these will be sold or auctioned at the Mercantile during the quilt show.

President-elect Kerby Selmer says she is still looking to fill a few cabinet positions primarily those of president-elect and web stitcher.

Yvonne Wilson represented Programs. She said the April class is filled and the one for May has 2 spots remaining. The speaker for next February's class is from South Dakota and her class fees will be paid through the Humanities of Nebraska fund. Yvonne has the classes all booked for 2025 and only 4 spots left to fill for 2026; she reports a nice blend of local quilters as well as out of state teachers. What an over achiever! 😊

Corresponding Secretary – Dorothy Lange: no report

Recording Secretary – Tania Uram: no report

Treasurer – Patty Alexander reported that Quicken has billed us \$77 for the annual service as compared to only \$37.00 last year. We think the lower number was an introductory fee. She also pointed out a cost for last year's holiday party was entered incorrectly on her spread sheet but it has been moved to the correct column.

Past President/Advisor – Tania Uram: no report

Newsletter – Amy Robertson & Amanda Frampton: articles are due by Friday.

Member Chair - Melissa Hamilton & Stacey Quandahl: Melissa is preparing the 2024/25 membership forms for renewals. This will be posted on the website before long. Melissa will be at the quilt show to accept membership money and forms. Memberships can be paid in cash at the May meeting. The deadline for submitting the membership forms in time to be included in

the printed directory will be September 1. She wants to include pages in the directory recognizing small groups, those who are accepting new members as well as those original long-standing groups that are closed to new members.

Photographer – Yvonne Wilson & Jessica Selega: they take pictures and do a good job!

Quilt Show 2024 – Liz Fleming: Quilt turn in days are set for June 8 & 9 at the Celtic Quilter and the Elkhorn Public library. Janelle Reed has offered her home for the quilt judging.

Block Exchange – Barb Andrysik showed us the final block for the year's project of a tree. Next year's theme will involve a rainbow.

Bus Trip – Melissa Bowders: no report

Camp WannaMakeaBlankie – Angella Arndt & Eilene Hengen: Eilene has been working on the registration form and it will be available at the April meeting.

OQG Facebook – Amy Robertson & Nancy Wells: no report

Golden Thimble Award– Nancy Wells, Nancy Peters, Angella Arndt: They have a few nominations but could use more. The cut-off date is April. There is no form for the nomination; just send an email to one of the leaders with your suggestion.

Helping Hands – Angie Reed: Angie has been contacted by a group called AISTRONG, Joining Together to Save Our Children for a quilt donation as a fund raiser. She is providing a quilt and will be attending the event in August 2024 to check it out and see what they stand for.

Librarian – Barb Trochim said she was so excited to have 4 people check out books last month. Some activity in the archives! A question was made as to continuing to receive the Missouri Star books. There is a small cost involved. The matter will be considered.

Properties – Andi Chakravarti: A new padlock has been purchased to secure our storage unit. Keys were passed out to the president and those needing one. The same code will be used for entry.

Long Range Planning – Cindy Erickson: no report

Quilts for Veterans – Kerby Selmer: The group meets on the 4th Saturday of the month at Fabric Bash to sew blocks for quilts for veterans. Longer quilts, rather than lap sized ones, have been requested, at least 80" in length to fit an extra long mattress.

Quilt Mom – Kerby Selmer: We've raised about \$1600 so far with the Opportunity Quilt. We are expecting the next big amount of tickets to be sold will be at the June Quilt Show. She has taken the quilt to Bernina, to the Cottonwood Meeting and to our meeting.

Rising Stars – Zanteen Dean & Fran Williamson: Haley Fetter from Mistletoe Quilting will be our speaker for April.

Webstitcher – Vicki Hoskovec: Updated info has been sent to Emma

Holiday Party – Angella Arndt: no report

Children’s Emergency Fund – Debbie McMillin & Jessica Selega: no report

Live Auction – Nancy Wells reports that the theme is Natural Nebraska. She has promises of 6 quilts so far. The silent auction at the Mercantile at the quilt show will have no theme.

Santa’s Workshop – Ona Steinauer: A large sewing table/cabinet has been donated. There is a question of the best to sell it because of the size and difficulty of moving it.

Mystery Quilt – Janelle Reed: The directions for the last clue is out and the hope is that people are assembling their mystery projects. Unquilted tops can be shown at show-n-tell but they must be quilted to be included in the quilt show.

Stocking Challenge – Molly Phillips will be moving to Alabama at the end of the year but she has the stocking fabric and will have a sample stocking to show at the meeting. The stocking fabric will be \$3/fat quarter.

OQG 50 Year Committee – Cindy Erickson, Amy Robertson, Angella Arndt, Nancy Wells, & Yvonne Wilson: no report

Old Business: Copyright infringement status (basically closed), preserving photos and guild history info, Webmaster

New Business: none

Announcements: none

Next Board meeting: May 7, 2024

Next Guild meeting: May 14, 2024

Motion to Adjourn: Nancy Wells and Angella Arndt

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM