Omaha Quilt Guild Board Meeting August 6, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Kerby Selmer at 7 PM at the Bernina Sewing Center in Omaha, NE as power was out at our usual meeting place.

Attendees: Cindy Erickson, Angella Arndt, Yvonne Wilson, Janelle Reed, Andi Chakravarti, Dorothy Lange, Nancy Wells, Patty Alexander, Eilene Hengen, Tania Uram, Ona Steinauer, Kerby Selmer, Barb Andrysik and Angie Reed

There was 1 correction to the minutes of the July meeting – the location of the Holiday Party will be at the German American Center. Correction noted by Secretary. Minutes were approved by Angella Arndt and seconded by Barb Andrysik.

The treasurer's report was passed around. It was approved by Janelle Reed and seconded by Eilene Hengen.

President Kerby Selmer wants to be sure her list of email addresses is correct for committee members. She gave out a list of the dates for board and general meetings for the 2024/25 year.

President elect: Carol Nish - no report

Programs: Yvonne Wilson - The programs are set for the upcoming months.

Corresponding Secretary: Dorothy Lange - no report

Recording Secretary: Tania Uram – no report

Treasurer: Patty Alexander – the budget was reviewed with a few changes or adjustments made to some categories such as programs, vendor revenue, Challenge quilt fabric and the Opportunity Quilt. Having our next quilt show later in the year in 2025 gives a different look to the budget numbers although the amounts are close to what they were last year. Patty reported that our guild domain name has been renewed for another 5 years. The check that she wrote in error to Embassy Suites has been refunded and that issue is resolved.

Nancy Wells said that the \$325 for the Golden Thimble is there for expenses such as flowers and awards. The committee will maintain the money in that category with extra funds coming from past presidents of the guild.

Past President/Advisor: Eilene Hengen – no report

Newsletter: Amy Robertson - Articles are due by Friday.

Membership Chair: Melissa Peters sent a report that there are 2 new checks for membership.

Photographer: no report

Quilt Show: Vicki Hoskovec, Kitty Bailey - no report

Block Exchange: Barb Andrysik showed us the Spool Block patterns that will be featured this year. Each month will have a Spool with a different center block. The finished piece can become a table runner or wall hanging.

Bus Trip: Kerby Selmer says she is looking into a bus trip to the Kansas City Quilt Show for June 2025.

Camp WannaMakeABlankie: Eilene Hengen – We have reached the required 20 people necessary to hold the retreat at Camp Joy Holling for October 4-6, although the extra day has been cancelled; those who signed up for that day will get a refund or can rewrite their checks. Going forward, there is thought of having a day camp at Celtic Quilter, for a maximum of 40 day campers, instead of the overnight retreat at Camp Joy Holling because of rising costs and lack of participation.

OQG Facebook: no report

Golden Thimble: no report

Helping Hands: Angie Reed – The Essential Pregnancy Services group received 20 baby quilts, 20 burp cloths and 15 receiving blankets. 5 quilts were donated to Camp Fontanelle for use by guests and summer campers.

Librarian: no report

Properties: Andi Chakravarti asked if any special set-up is needed for the sew-in meeting set for September. She also said that September 21 will be the day for the storage unit clean out.

Quilts for Veterans: Kerby Selmer - no report

Quilt Mom: Kerby Selmer said that we lost out on a great opportunity for selling tickets as the Wolfe Farm Quilt show was cancelled this year because of rain. The tickets have been printed. Raffle tickets will be \$2 each this year. It was suggested that veteran's groups may be a good place to sell tickets for this year's patriotic themed Opportunity Quilt.

Long Range Planning: no report

Rising Stars: Zanteen Dean - classes are in place for most of the year.

Webstitcher: Kerby Selmer - no report

Holiday Party: Angella Arndt – The party will be held December 10th at the German American Society. A question was asked if there will be a price increase but that is unknown so far.

Children's Emergency Fund: Jessica Selega - no report

Live Auction: Nancy Wells - no report

Santa's Workshop: Ona Steinauer – no report

Stocking Challenge: no report

Mystery Quilt: Janelle Reed – Plans are on track and there will be a 50th Anniversary theme

Old Business: none

New Business: none Announcements: none

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 PM; approved by Angella Arndt and seconded by Ona Steinauer.

Next General meeting: August 13, 2024 Next Board meeting: September 3, 2024

Respectfully submitted, Tania Uram, Secretary