

## LIGHTHOUSE QUILT GUILD BOARD MEETING

May 21, 2019 – 6:30pm

LOUTIT LIBRARY – Lower Level Conference Room

Present: Jackie Baden, Chris Bussell, Elizabeth Clark, Barbara Dryer, Linda Engel, Kim Frisch, Dianne Gustafson, Carol Keen, Char LaDronka, Char Lozicki, Wendy Rice, Amy Stuparits, Marianne Stuparits, Barb Wexall

### WELCOME

The meeting began at 6:30pm sharp.

### AGENDA

The motion to accept the March Secretary's report was made by Kim Frisch and seconded by Chris Bussell. Accepted.

Treasurer's Report : Barb Dryer reported a balance of \$26,277.58. She raised a few new issues for clarification:

- Since we are now meeting as a board every other month, it was agreed by the board that she should use email to notify them of each month's report prior to it going to press in the newsletter.
- \$5 Guest Fees paid by guests at our programs will be recorded in the General Fund instead of in the report specific to that program.
- The \$1,050 shown as income for the Quilt Show reflects \$300 paid by PALS Guild for venue cost. This income is then offset due to \$300 payment to Lisa Grimm for rack storage between annual shows, paid out at show time.
- April meeting's silent auction brought in \$822 minus \$132 for two consignment items resulting in a total of \$690 donation to Feeding America.
- The guild has received the stage, stairs, and screen for use at our monthly meetings which will now be donated to the church. The screen needs someone other than the church custodian to attach it to the wall for use.

Newsletter info goes to Barb Wexall now.

Membership reports two new members in April and one (youth) new member in May. Elizabeth Clark recommended research be done to list the names of all chairs for the last 25 years. No action taken.

### Quilt Show committee

- 12 – 15 early bird registrations have been received which will help lighten work load at last minute. The E.B. deadline is the June meeting.
- Reminder: the committee would like all 28 Challenge Quilts on the theme of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, displayed at the May meeting, to go into the show.
- We have five vendors scheduled.
- Ribbons raised discussion. We award a certain number of ribbons per category. Elizabeth Clark opened discussion. Members voiced agreement to reduce categories from small, medium, large to just small and large. She suggested we award ribbons in proportion to the number of entries, for example if we had 90 large quilts we would offer 9 ribbons, and if we had 40 small quilts we would offer 4 ribbons. We would keep the separate category for Challenge Quilts giving the same proportion of ribbons, and all youth quilts get a participant ribbon. Two requests about the ribbons: make them reflective of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; give ribbons to the thread artists who have done the quilting which enhances the fabric artist's work. Board liked idea and agreed by voice.

Library no report.

Website no report.

Publicity reports Matt at the Tribune has said he is preparing the article about the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for publication, date tbd. And arrangements have been made to have a Coast Guard representative at our ribbon cutting ceremony to open the July show.

#### Programs

- The June workshop still has openings.
- For September, Ms. Goldsmith will offer two six-hour workshops, wool applique on Monday and cotton paper piecing on Tuesday. The cost is \$65, due at registration, and is limited to 20 participants each. The workshops will be advertised to LQG members in June and July. PALS will be able to register for the workshops in August. Point of Information: our September joint meeting with PALS is advertised to all Michigan quilt guilds via an email list, so for \$10, any non-member can join us for the presentation. Wear your name tag to save yourself \$10. We hope for a big crowd.
- Silent Auction held at the May meeting was well received, kudos to Leslie Johnson for all her work. Perhaps we could have that program repeated every other year? Heaven knows we produce enough UFOs every 12 months.
- Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration was a great, fun evening, planned by Barb Dryer, Carol Keen and Amy Stuparits. Member turnout was high and the Challenge Quilts were the perfect program. Members enjoyed cake and candy and every member received a personalized luggage tag made by the three ladies, out of silver fabric with LQG logo in four colors.

Take-A-Chance: members could offer to T-A-C chair items for the drawing. The chair, who is in charge of the T-A-C budget, would decide if the items met our need and her budget. If so, the Chair could authorize the treasurer reimburse the member. By voice, the board agreed.

#### Old Business

Nominating Committee is chaired by Elizabeth Clark in place of Amy. She has already made many contacts and has identified possible individuals for leadership positions. After much thought and her experience of asking members to consider taking the chair or co-chair position, Elizabeth made some suggestions which, to be adopted, would necessitate changes in the bylaws. She has asked Jackie Baden and Barb Dryer to assist her in looking at the bylaws and proposing changes. By June, she would like to consider the following ideas for the purpose of making our organization's bylaws reflect more closely the way we work rather than trying to fit the way we work into the bylaws we have now:

- Have "leadership teams" of two who work together, instead of a "chair" and "co-chair"
- Consider making the treasurer position for a more efficient length of time other than 2 years
- Should retreat coordinators be a part of the board?

The newest version of our bylaws is on the website.

Community Outreach received a moving thank you note from a Breast Cancer Quilt recipient which Elizabeth read aloud.

The meeting adjourned sometime after 8:00pm.

Minutes submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

Linda M Engel, Secretary

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Char Lozicki, Chair

Date \_\_\_\_\_