

LIGHTHOUSE QUILT GUILD BOARD MEETING

January 21, 2020 – 6:30pm

LOUTIT LIBRARY – Lower Level Conference Room

Present: Jackie, Chris, Elizabeth, Barbara, Linda, Kim, Alicia, Dianne, Jill, Carol, Wendy, Christine, Deb, Amy, Marianne, Barb, and guest Kathy.

WELCOME

The meeting was opened at 6:30 by co-chairs, Jackie and Carol. We welcomed a new member to the board, Jill, who has volunteered to help Amy, our 2020 Quilt Show Chair, for this quilt show year and then become the Quilt Show Chair for 2021.

AGENDA

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Minutes** from November board meeting were approved by Barb and seconded by Chris.
- **Treasurer** report: As of 12/31/2019 our balance was \$25,310.30. Clarifications in the treasurer's report:
 - The \$1,000 Program Reserve is for the purpose of subsidizing our four elected officers and the program chair(s) to attend either a quilt retreat or classes offered by the guild.
 - We have six committed programs for the remainder of the 2019-2020 program year, leaving two open calendar dates for programs – May and August. We have three committed programs for 2020-2021, and two programs for 2021-2022.
 - Advertisers in our newsletter have not been billed for their ads. Will happen ASAP.
 - Treasurer requested board members update an asset list showing items, who is responsible, location, etc. Incomplete list was passed around to be filled out by those who know.
- **Community Outreach:** Elizabeth reported that the Ottawa County Health Department will pick up 32 baby quilts completed by our members. To refill our supply, we are sponsoring a Quilt Sew In on Monday February 17 at the church from 9-3. To entice participation, we are offering breakfast.
 - We are running low on breast cancer quilt batting; the committee will accept donations. We use 120" batting cotton or 80/20. They suggests THE CRAFT OUTLET at 1450 Buchanan Street in Grand Rapids, W-Sat, as a potential source of low priced batting on random days when they have batting to sell. Contact Kim for the secret word for additional discounts.
- **Quilt Show 2020:** Amy introduced Jill as her assistant for this year and show chair for 2021.
 - The committee is discussing possible changes for this year which may include entry fee, freebie for those whose quilts we display, preview/snack day, maybe category changes. More to be decided.
 - They will continue to offer ribbons for the artistry of the quilting stitchers in addition to the artistry of the patchers.
 - One change of note is that we will not have a Wednesday set up: instead we will setup only Thursday.
 - We have not scheduled a raffle quilt. We will bring up this fact at the February general meeting. Decisions to make: chair, local nonprofit willing to do some work selling tickets and publicity, time window for making squares and finishing quilt. Idea will be in next newsletter.
- **Library:** Marianne always accepts suggestions for books. New suggestion: buy an AccuQuilt machine. TBD
- **Membership:** Christine said we had one new member at the January meeting. Now we have 139 members; 90 were present at January general meeting.
- **Programs:** Wendy and Dianne got overwhelmingly positive responses to the SAQA (Studio Art Quilters' Association) trunk show in January. One suggestion was to add a vendor next time, giving members two focus areas while spending time visiting in the less structured format.

