

LIGHTHOUSE QUILT GUILD BOARD MEETING

March 16, 2021 – 6:30pm

Via Zoom

Present: Jackie Baden, Chris Bussell, Elizabeth Clark, Barbara Dryer, Linda Engel, Kim Frisch, Alicia Gilewski, Dianne Gustafson, Marie Huyge, Carol Keen, Marcia Knorr, Su Palmer, Wendy Rice, Amy Stuparits, Marianne Stuparits, Joan Thomas, Barb Wexall

WELCOME

Chair Carol Keen welcomed two new board members, Joan Thomas and Marie Huyge, who will be added to the Program Committee. She also welcomed member Su Palmer as a guest.

AGENDA

SECRETARY Report from January was accepted with one correction. Elizabeth Clark made the correction that the wording for the baby quilts goes not to the hospital but to the Ottawa County Maternal and Infant Health Program who then disperse the quilts to new moms in Ottawa County. Members also responded positively to receiving the previous month's minutes ahead of time.

TREASURER As of 2/28/2021 the balance was \$20,367.23. Expense for Quilt Show equipment storage was moved to Miscellaneous for time being. Motion by Kim to increase storage payment from \$300 to \$350 – seconded by Chris and passed by show of hands. Budget questions answered: church rental is a separate line item paid in one lump sum; Program Committee budget is a guideline for expected expenses but if the committee overspends, the difference is covered and in some instances we have offsetting income such as when we have an expensive September speaker.

COMMITTEE REPORTS and OLD BUSINESS

COMMUNITY OUTREACH Inventory of baby and breast cancer quilts presently exceeds our need. This is common occurrence.

HISTORIAN no report

HOSPITALITY no report

LIBRARY added a few new books

MEMBERSHIP Zoom guild meeting for March had 53 in attendance; door prize has been delivered

NEWSLETTER Front page article for April will be written by Linda, for May by Barb D, June by Dianne. Carol reported that she was contacted by someone willing to write a "Tips and Tricks" segment for future newsletters if the idea is accepted. Barb W said articles are always welcome.

PROGRAM Now the committee has four members with a fifth yet to be sought. The March Zoom meeting was the best attended yet and had good responses, post program.

April's program by Carole McLean, our guild member, Nora Slickers, and a third person will include a \$50 honorarium for each presenter.

May and June presenters will be seen over Zoom. Each has written a book related to the program. Suggestion made by Linda to buy their books for our library. Marianne will do.

July presenter may or may not be via Zoom, decision tbd.

August program will be the power point presentation of 2020 – 2021 Officers' Challenge, compiled by Carol.

PUBLICITY Country Register was notified we will not have our 2021 quilt show but we hope to return 2022.

QUILT SHOW This year's show will be a virtual presentation. At some future date, Amy will email all members asking them to submit pictures of 1-2 quilts which Amy will put into a power point presentation.

WEB PAGE The software license for our web page was renewed in February for one year; our email license is renewed monthly; Wendy, Barb D, and Chris are proceeding on the blog.

TAKE-A-CHANCE no report

NEW BUSINESS

VIRTUAL QUILTING Su reported on two virtual quilting activities. First, on Saturday, March 20, which is National Quilting Day, Su, Pat Navis, and Amanda Garvin will host an all-day Zoom stay-at-home quilting activity. It will have many of the same fun segments as in any group quilt day. Email notice will go out Friday and Amy will post on our Facebook page.
Second, LQG is having a stay-at-home Zoom Spring Quilt Retreat April 23, 24, 25 hosted by Pat N and Amanda G. Free to participants. Money will be given to Pat and Amanda to purchase prizes.

CONTINUED SERVICE ON BOARD All board members present responded in the positive when asked if they are willing to continue serving on the board when elections come up in August.

POTTAWATTAMIE MONDAYS Barb D reported on a development whose purpose is to give members a safe opportunity to socialize and gather in person. The guild has rented a covered picnic space at Pottawattamie Park for the third Monday of May, June, July, August, September. This is not to replace our regular meetings on the second Monday. Masking is required. We expect Show and Tell, a chance to check out our library books, and more.

QUILT CHALLENGES Linda reported survey results from the Officers' Challenge 2020 -2021, mostly positive. And she made a few comments regarding the next challenge whose purpose is for each individual to stretch his/her quilting experience and abilities to the next level by doing something new, using a new color palette, trying a new technique, etc. More specifics will be printed in the April newsletter.

ALL STAR VIRTUAL SAMPLER PLATTER Dianne reported she signed up all guild members to participate in this sampler sponsored by the Global Quilt Connection, online classes to be held May 22 -23 from 3 – 6pm. Each member will receive an invitation from GQC and can choose from 18 presenters for 15 – 20 minute segments full of ideas and tips. Chris will send out the information regarding this opportunity and it will be explained at the April and May meetings.

PROGRAMS Joan and Marie detailed programs from December 2021 thru December 2022. They sound just like the variety of programs our membership wants to see. (Editor note: we hope program details for 2021-22 will be in the monthly newsletters just as 2020-2021 are now.)

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 6:30 via Zoom.

The meeting adjourned between 8 and 8:10pm.

Minutes submitted by _____ Date _____
Linda M Engel, Secretary

Minutes approved by _____ Date _____

Carol Keen, Chair