

LIGHTHOUSE QUILT GUILD BOARD MEETING

May 18, 2021 – 6:30pm

Via Zoom

Present: Chris Bussell, Elizabeth Clark, Barbara Dryer, Linda Engel, Alicia Gilewski, Marie Huyge, Dianne Gustafson, Jill Highhill, Carol Keen, Wendy Rice, Kathy Schripsema, Amy Stuparits, Marianne Stuparits, Joan Thomasma, Barb Wexall

WELCOME

The meeting began approximately 6:30 pm, however it was not seen nor recorded due to internet problems with the secretary's computer. She joined the meeting already in progress at 6:39 pm. Shortly thereafter, the **secretary report** of the March 16, 2021 meeting was accepted with one correction: the spelling of Nora Slikkers name.

Treasurer report was accepted with the clarification that the July 2021 presenter, Debbie Maddy, will not do a workshop, only the program, which changes the committed amount for that meeting to \$595.00. Our treasury total as of 4/30/2021 is \$18,829.40.

Treasurer asked all committee chairs to look at their present budget amounts and be prepared to notify her in July of any changes for next year's budget. She will send out an email in early July to this effect.

Treasurer brought up a suggested manner to handle our issue that the budget total is published publically due to bylaws requirement. At our August general meeting she will present wording that will amend the bylaws. Her report on the very first Pottawattomie Monday gathering the previous evening said it was well received. Elizabeth Clark suggested we have a theme for the successive months. So June P.M. theme will be bring your red / white / blue quilts, and July theme will be bring your crazy quilts.

Chair's comments: Church of the Dunes is planning to schedule opening its building to former uses. The chair was told to contact the church in August for information about when LQG might return to indoor meetings. Two related issues about using CofD are Cyndi Phillips can have access to our storage closet to get any necessary materials; could we have the microphone for use at Pottawattomie Mondays? Carol will check on the mic use.

Carol sent "Let's stay in touch" letters from the guild to members who have not been seen at our Zoom meetings nor had any contact with us since the beginning of Covid19. As a result, she saw a few new faces at P.M. last evening.

AGENDA

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: over 30 baby and breast cancer quilts were turned in last evening. Elizabeth has been washing and drying them at her home today. She suggested next month we have a parade of the quilts to show all the pretty work our members are donating.

HISTORIAN: Amy will use pictures of last evening's quilts that Wendy took with her camera for our history.

LIBRARIAN: Barb D and Amy brought 2 boxes of library books to our meeting. They are also involved in creating a database of titles for reference by members. And they would also like to make circulation digital. Marianne also agreed to buy copies of titles written by our most recent guest presenters : Lilo Bowman's [Love Your Creative Space](#); and Patricia Belyea's [East Meets West Quilts](#); and Kathy McNeil's [Innovative Border Designs](#).

MEMBERSHIP: Kathy and Carol updated our membership roster. The few errors in addresses will be corrected when members renew their membership this August.

Membership will follow a different procedure for determining which member's name will be selected to receive the monthly door prize. They will use a numbers assigned when members check in to Zoom. The chair chose to pass on the idea of discussing "welcome hostesses".

NEWSLETTER: articles are due on the 20th. Dottie DeGlopper will create a "Tips and Tricks" column in our newsletter. Barb did not have room in May's edition. But she will include this in June and going forward. Beginning in July, the intro article on the front page has no writer nor any theme. She would like members to come forward.

PROGRAMS: Our May 10 general meeting via Zoom had 58 members tuned in. June program with Patricia Belyea will focus on the International Quilt Festival in Japan and her Okan Arts Shop. She will join us after our business meeting at approximately 7:15 pm. Our Zoom meetings will continue to begin at 6:15 pm to give Alecia time to sign in each member especially if there are several ready to join at the same time. Global Quilt Connection's All Star Virtual Platter notification of this weekend's classes should be received by email this Thursday morning. It will be full of detail for all of the classes, including materials participants need. Read carefully. Classes are available only in real time, none will be archived. Committee chairs, Wendy and Dianne, will make contact with PALS officers to make plans for our usual joint September meeting. Ann Shaw will be our presenter. The workshop is in question as we need the right number of signups at \$50 per person , plus her \$10 patterns. Ann is willing to present a free demonstration of her technique in June before we commit to her workshop. Demo date tbd.

PUBLICITY: Our guild will not buy an ad in the Coast Guard Festival program this year. Plans are to wait till we have an in-person quilt show in 2022.

QUILT SHOW: this year it will be a virtual show beginning July 30 to coincide with our usual time during the Coast Guard Festival. Amy will prepare a Power Point presentation of no more than 2 quilts from any member who wishes to participate. Deadline for submission of pictures is July 1, 2021. The show will be accessed from a link on our website. Jill and Amy will make contact with our long term partners to offer access: St. Patrick's Church, Church of the Dunes, Grand Haven Tribune, Holland Sentinel, WOOD TV8, and notices to quilt stores.

RETREATS we held via Zoom in March and April were well attended and participants gave good reviews.

TAKE-A-CHANCE: Alicia will continue T-A-C at our Pottawattomie Mondays. First P.M. was free; no mention of cost at future P.M. The method of choosing winners will be streamlined with the help of membership committee.

BLOG Wendy will have pictures up by tomorrow from Monday's P.M.

WEB PAGE: no report

ZOOM TASK FORCE: Carol thanked them for their efforts and the success of our use of Zoom for meetings.

OLD BUSINESS we need additional members on the Program Committee as a spokesperson, to handle the spring retreat, and suggestions for Welcoming Committee. No discussion or action.

NEW BUSINESS: we will begin our regular guild meetings at 6:15pm as we have been doing following discussion that considered making it at 6:30 pm instead.

QUILTS OF VALOR and other requests for support by individuals for their projects: there is nothing in the bylaws but the Policies and Procedures Manual says the request must be presented in writing to the board with a rationale and timeline, as if this were a first time request for a new ongoing project. The QOV request has expired and is moot. But for the next request, the executive board will discuss and decide if the project should be referred to the entire board for consideration.

ELECTIONS Our 2021-2022 board elections are scheduled for our August general meeting. The slate of officers is to be printed in the July newsletter. Bylaws state that the chair can be in office for two years. Carol will have finished her second year on August 30, 2021. But for this election, due to extraordinary times, the board will accept her candidacy for another year. And, Carol has agreed to run again as chair. Our treasurer and our secretary can run for a total of five years (is it consecutive or total???) and this will be their fourth year each. They have agreed to run again.

Discussion ensued that we need a vice chair who will be groomed for the position of chair once the chair has exhausted time and interest in that position. Issue sent to executive committee.

The next board meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Minutes submitted by _____ Date _____
Linda M Engel, Secretary

Minutes approved by _____ Date _____
Carol Keen, Chair