



## Board Meeting Minutes

December 2, 2021

In Attendance: Lynne Bryant, Marilyn Knepp, Patricia Wolff, Mary Beth Donovan, Marge Venema, Lori Rhode, Sarah Bush, Nico Laudenberg, Kaye Whittington, Nancy Finlayson, Carol Makielski, Arlene Kindel, Susan Schwandt, Melissa Gregorie, Sonja Hagen

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

### Secretary Report: Sarah Bush

- Susan suggested corrections to the November board meeting minutes, Lynne moved that the minutes be approved with corrections, seconded by Patricia Wolff.
- Lynne asked that the date at the bottom of the Annual meeting minutes from November be corrected. Susan Schwandt moved that the minutes be accepted with corrections, Mary Beth Donovan seconded.
- All Minutes are available on Google Drive

### Presidents Report: Lynne Bryant

- Election of officers was voted on as expected at the Annual Business meeting.
- Workshop registrar position was still open, so Roberta Myrra offered to fill in until we found someone. Update after December 2 business meeting: Carolyn Raschke has accepted the Workshop Registrar position beginning January 1, 2022.
- Lynne reminded board members that Annual Reports are due at the January 6, 2022 meeting.
- GAAQG Resources List will be on Google Drive, please all review and edit with updates and we will review at the January 6, 2022 meeting.

### Programs: Arlene Kindel

- Ann Loveless workshop was successful, there were cancellations but they got filled last minute, 2 were because of the vaccine requirement
- There was a discussion about the January 2022 workshops that have only a few signed up so far. Mary Beth will post that registration is open to nonmembers tomorrow. She recommends a blog post, Lynne's email and Nico to put out a Facebook post. Arlene suggested we consider changing Text on Textiles workshop to Free Motion Quilting workshop. No decision to change the workshop was made, Arlene will watch how registrations continue.
- Arlene gave a rundown on registrations for future meetings.
- Arlene included her notes regarding "Hybrid Meetings" from the Greater Quilt Guild Roundtable in her reports on Google Drive.
- Program reports available on Google Drive

### Social Media: – Nico Laudenberg

- Social Media reports available on Goggle Drive

### Treasurer Report: Marilyn Knepp and Marge Venema

- November treasurers report has been received and filed for review. No questions were asked from the board.
- Claudia Tam will conduct the year-end annual review.
- Discussion regarding good governance and policies which have been put in place and are in writing will continue with the annual review.
- Lynne and Marilyn reminded all board members to continue to review reports monthly as it is the board's fiduciary responsibility.
- Treasurer reports available on Google Drive

- **VP Membership:** Patricia Wolff

- 248 Members, up 14% from beginning of the year.
- Of special note, one new member from the Expo and eight lapsed members renewed.
- Discussion occurred about welcoming new members as soon as they are on board. Patti does this

but suggested others do this as well. Discussed a buddy or mentoring system. Lynne to consider this during the month and write up some suggested guidelines.

- December will be a big month for renewals.
- Membership reports available on Google Drive

**Webmaster:** Mary Beth Donovan

- Mary Beth reached out to Washtenaw Community College regarding hybrid meetings but has not heard back yet.
- Renewals: presently the website allows someone to renew 30 days before their expiration.
- Webmaster reports available on Google Drive.

**SafeHouse Quilt Sale online:** Anne Rapundalo not present, Lynne reported

- 41 quilts were sold as of yesterday generating approx. \$12,400 in proceeds
- Deb Kern asked permission to extend the sale to December 15, 2021, board agreed to do this. Mary Beth asked SafeHouse to promote it as well as Lynne can mention in her newsletter.

**SafeHouse Quilts Sew-In:** Lynne reported

- Next SafeHouse Quilt Sew-In originally scheduled for January 23, 2022 has been revised to January 30, 2022.
- Lynne has a pattern picked out and will send details to Mary Beth for website.

**Fabric Sale:** Nico Laudenberg and Roberta Myyra

- Net proceeds of \$7,576.22 (after expenses were paid) went to SafeHouse. SafeHouse was very happy.
- Report on Google Drive with Treasurers reports

**GAAQG Exhibit Booth at Novi Sewing Expo:** Kaye Whittington, Nico Laudenberg and Susan Schwandt, co-chairs

- Sewing Expo Booth was a great success and Susan suggests we do it again next year. Thanks to Kaye for suggesting that we participate in this Expo.
- Susan had a 2<sup>nd</sup> batch of brochures printed because we ran out. Remaining brochures are available for the Quilt Show. She suggested that for the next brochure printing we include the QR code on the brochure.
- All documents are in a file on Google drive and will be available for next year's chairs.
- Exhibit Booth Tool Kit is at the Public Storage facility.
- 134 names have been added to our mail list of people who chose to "opt in" to our mailing list.
- Thank you to everyone who chaired and worked the booth.

**Quilt Show 2022:** Co-Chairs Lori Rhode and Kaye Whittington, Wanda Nash vendor chair

- Show dates 7/30/22 and 7/31/22
- All positions are now filled except a couple committees who need chairs.
- Presently, chairs are working on ways to promote the show and door prize drop offs.
- Reports on Google Drive

**Volunteer Quilt Drawing:** Lynne Bryant

- Ruth Mieras was the winner of the quilt

**Mail Chimp Communications:** Kathy Johnson

- Report on Google Drive

**New Business:** Welcome to Melissa Gregoire

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Bush  
Secretary