

Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Nevada County
Board Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2015
Eskaton Village, Grass Valley (49er Room)

Members Present: Kate Grant, Anne Wilson, Ruth Bertaccini, Kathleen Stanley, Karle deProse, Ardy Tobin, Diane Klose, Mary Serpa, Marjorie McConnell, Lois Hodges, Marilyn Engelking, Sue Miller, Joan Mosley, Donna Switzer

A. Call to order: President Kate Grant called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. Correspondence and announcements:

We received a thank you card from Robynn Liva and Sophie Jackson for the sea shell quilt. They included a darling picture of their baby.

C. Minutes-Donna Switzer: Corrections were suggested for the April 9, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes. Anne made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Karle and was passed. Corrections were suggested for the May 14, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes. Lois made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Ardy and was passed.

D. Treasurer's report-Kate Grant: Karen was absent, but provided copies of the Treasurer's Transaction Report for 5/1/2015 through 5/31/2015 for everyone. Kate read Karen's Treasurer's Report: "\$14,722.00 was deposited in our account during the Quilt Show so we wrote a check back to their account. The Quilt Show recently gave us \$5,000.00 back to cover the loan and \$495.00 to cover the sales tax from the show." Marjorie made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded by Sue and was passed.

E. Old business

1. Open Board Positions-Kate Grant

- Historian-Kate will announce the need to fill the position again at the July Picnic and September Meeting. It will be mentioned in the Newsletter as well.
- Christmas Party (SDA)-No one has stepped up to chair the party, so it is possible that we won't have one this year. Further discussion included the possibility of having a potluck and Show and Tell; perhaps just announce that we will only have a meeting and vote on the budget. Kate will make an announcement at the July Picnic, and at the September meeting. The announcement will also go into the Newsletter.

2. Quilt Show Exploratory Committee-Anne Wilson:

- The committee met and decided to invite the Yuba City and Auburn Foothill guilds to meet with them to find out what they are doing and how it may be different from what our Guild is doing. The Auburn Guild is interested in meeting with us and they will have a simple potluck at Anne's house. Joan has not had a response from Yuba City as yet. The committee will meet at the beginning of July after meeting with the Auburn Guild, and again in September. The committee will also continue to explore other guilds.

3. Preliminary Budget-Karle deProsse:

- The budget committee which includes Karle, Anne, Diane and Karen met. Karle passed out copies of their report: the January 1 – December 31, 2015 budget with two Preliminary columns for 2016. Each column reflected the projection of an increase in dues; one at \$35.00 and one at \$30.00. Karle commented that, with an increase in dues, we would actually lose income because members would drop out. We could lose at least 1/3 of the 70 members that don't buy raffle tickets. Discussion continued, and it was brought up that with dues at \$30.00 we would still be selling Opportunity Quilt tickets. We might still lose members, but the Opportunity Quilt income could increase from the 2015 level. It was suggested that the tickets be put in the 2016 rosters. Some people pick up their rosters, other pay extra to have them mailed to their residents, and some never pick up their rosters. Ardy said that all remaining rosters are given to Marta. Karle asked when the last dues increase occurred. Marilyn said that Betty Maddox has copies of old newsletters which would include that information. Preliminary Expenses: Karle explained that they are the same in both Preliminary scenarios. We need to talk with Heidi Emmett regarding Speaker Workshop expenses. We're trying to get the Jamboree restored and may ask attendees to spend \$10.00 to participate. Marjorie told us that there may be an increase to the Seventh Day Adventist rent. We will know before September. If we don't increase the dues, we will be approximately \$880.00 in the hole.

4. Guild Logo Denim Shirts-Diane Klose:

- Are there any problems with the shirts so far? Kathleen asked if the shipping cost issue has been resolved. Diane contacted Dawn and yes, the shipping will be reduced, and the final cost of a shirt will be \$24.03. Ruth compared her size medium to another shirt that she had from another organization. She realized after taking it home that she should have gotten a large. She contacted Dawn but Dawn would not exchange it for a larger size even though it doesn't have her name embroidered on it. Marjorie suggested that Ruth might be able to sell her shirt in the Newsletter.

5. Dues Restructuring-Kate Grant:

- We didn't vote on this issue last month because we didn't have a quorum. Two things are needed: we need to vote, and we need to have a committee. Ardy made a motion to investigate the dues restructure/or increase. The motioned was seconded by Lois and was passed. Karle, Ardy, Donna and Kate are the committee members who will look at and do research on this issue. Karle will set-up a date and time to meet.

6. Draft Horse Classic-Kate Grant:

- Will there be a Silent Auction? Is there a cost if we rent a booth? If there is a cost, we won't do it. We will have one western style quilt to go along with the Draft Horse Classic. Kathleen will check with Betty Maddox about her supply of western style fabric. Marjorie asked if we could raffle more than one quilt. Anne said that it depends on the space that we are given. Will we sell tickets and award the western quilt in a drawing on Sunday? Anne suggested that that would take away from the Opportunity Quilt sales.

F. New business

1. Participation by Non-members in Guild Functions-Anne Wilson:

- People that used to be members participated in an event. Non-members had their stuff in the Country Store at the Quilt Show. Ruth asked: What is the negative impact to the Guild? Kate asked what the policy says about it, i.e. only members participating in Home Workshop, the Country Store, etc. Policies page 8 says, *Country Store: 1) only members of the Guild will be allowed to sell items in the Store.* Betty Maddox should have a list of people for the Home Workshop and could verify whether they are a member or not. Marjorie will deal with the issue of the Country Store for the next Quilt Show.
- Marjorie said that some non-members helped at Community Service.
- There was discussion about why some members don't renew. Some people no longer drive at night and therefore don't make meetings. Some people can no longer afford the membership dues. Perhaps membership could call people to find out why they don't renew. Maybe mention that there are scholarships available for dues.
- Karle explained that our non-profit status = membership
- Kate said that we need to do some policy work. The Guild is for members.

2. Next Board Meeting: August Potluck-Diane Klose:

- It will be held at Diane's house. She will give us more details at a later date.
- The Nevada County Fair is in August. Kate asked if it is okay with those present to have the Board meeting during the fair. The consensus was yes.
- There won't be a Board Meeting in July. There won't be a General Meeting in August.

3. Guild Challenge-Lois Hodges:

- The title of this year's Guild Challenge is "Forest Fantasy". It will be announced at the meeting in July and will be put in the Newsletter as well.

4. September General Meeting-Affiliate Night: -Kate Grant:

- Heidi Emmett said it is a good idea for the Affiliates to "strut their stuff" at this meeting and maybe sell their wares. Karle asked who will contact them. Kate will find out from Heidi.
- There will be no speaker, no Community Service, Treasure Table, Library, Quarter Yard Club or Mystery Gifts. There *will be* Show and Tell as well as Visiting Opportunity Quilts.
- We will put off Patchwork Star that month.
- Joan said that the Scholarship winner will be there.

G. Committee reports

1. Emailed reports

- **Patchwork Star-Jeanie Ferguson:** All is well in the Patchwork Star department.
- **Junior Quilters-Dianne Rockwell:** We were proud of our display at the Quilt Show. Their summer project was inspired by Barbara Cooke.

2. Reports by Committee Chairs

- **Vice President-Diane Klose:** Hall of Honor nominations will begin soon.
- **Nominating Committee-Karle deProsse** The Nominating Committee will meet next week.
- **Quilt Show 2015-Anne Wilson:** The Quilt Show profit is \$8,583.00. Maybe more money will dribble in. We were concerned because attendance was down by 10%. One reason for the lower attendance is that Foothill had their camp. Silent Auction was up. Most other areas were under on income, but also under on expenses. There may be 15 tote bags left.
- **Scholarship-Joan Mosley:** Nothing new in Scholarship. The check will be cut to this year's winner when she receives verification of acceptance by her school.
- **Show and Tell-Ruth Bertaccini/Sew Happy:** There will be a Show and Tell in July and September.
- **Opportunity Quilt Marketing 2016-Kathleen Stanley:** She has the contract for the County Christmas Fair being held on November 27, 28 and 29. It will be in the indoor lobby at the Fairgrounds. Kathleen asked the Board Members to work at this event as well as at the Draft Horse Classic. She had sign-up sheets available. She is booking places to sell Opportunity Quilt tickets as far as a year out. She has \$10.00 to deposit for ticket sales. Ardy asked if there is a picture of the Opportunity Quilt. Marjorie has post cards with a picture of it.
- **Quarter Yard Club-Marilyn Engelking:** We had to cut back from five to four fat quarters per bundle.
- **Quilt Show 2016-Marjorie McConnell:** It is never too early to sign up for a position for the Quilt Show 2016. The Shuttle is covered. We need White Glove volunteers and a Secretary. The Co-chair is Jeanne Pincha-Tulley. Donna volunteered to be Secretary. The first meeting will be in September on a Wednesday because there is no speaker. Chairpersons will be required to email their reports every month.
- **Community Service/Drop in-Marjorie McConnell:** There are still openings for the Quiltapalooza on July 25th and Ina's class on September 17th. Lorna Straka is doing a Binding Class on November 19th which will probably fill up quickly.
- At the last meeting, Kathy Biggi brought in 36 quilts and 35 went out the door. Kathy donated lots of materials out of her own pocket.
- The biggest issue with our CS quilts is that we can't get them quilted. Marjorie anticipates that there will be a drop in the number of quilts done because of the new requirement that members have to complete the quilts from the kits they check out. As a result, there will be fewer quilts to donate. For instance, the Salvation Army may not receive quilts this year. We will see after September.
- The Seventh Day Adventist Church wants a liaison; one person to deal with from the Guild.
- **Newsletter-Sue Miller:** The Newsletter will go out next Wednesday. The deadline is this Saturday.

H. **Adjourn:** President Kate Grant adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Switzer, Secretary