

Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Nevada County
Board Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2015
Eskaton Village, Grass Valley (49er Room)

Members Present: Kate Grant, Diane Klose, Joan Mosley, Ruth Bertaccini, Karle deProsse, Karen Mitchell, Marta Price, Sophia Day, Lois Hodges, Kathleen Stanley, Marjorie McConnell, Mary Serpa, Ardy Tobin, Heidi Emmett, Pat Gillings, Donna Switzer

A. Call to order: President Kate Grant called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

B. Correspondence and announcements:

The Union published an article on Wednesday about the WE CARE program. The article was "fabulous".

C. Minutes-Donna Switzer: Karle deProsse made a motion to accept the September 10, 2015 minutes. The motion was seconded by Lois Hodges and was passed.

D. Treasurer's report-Karen Mitchell: Most of the income for September 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015 was from the Opportunity Quilt. Marjorie McConnell made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded by Lois Hodges and was passed.

E. Old business

1. Quilt Show Exploratory Committee Status Report-Kate Grant for Anne Wilson

- Jeanne Pincha-Tulley gave an overview at the General Meeting on October 6th. Also, per Anne's email: over 50% of the membership participated in the survey. The majority of the membership wants to continue with an annual quilt show and monthly meetings with speakers. They also want Jamboree, Community Service and Speaker Workshops to continue. Only a small percentage wanted to continue with Junior Quilters, Home Workshop, and Scholarships. The Committee will meet again on October 29th to explore the results in depth and report back to the Board at the November meeting.

2. Jamboree-Marjorie McConnell:

- Kate suggested that we defer discussion until after we talk about the Budget.
- Marjorie was asked when a Jamboree is usually held. Usually in September or October, and, if we end up having money in the Budget, then we should find a Chair to begin planning.

3. Open Board Positions-Kate Grant and Diane Klose:

- There are ten positions open. Among them: Historian, Home Workshop, Junior Quilters, Library, Quarter Yard Club, Mystery Gifts, Speaker Workshops, and Jamboree. After much discussion, it was agreed that Ardy will send out a Blast. Sophia suggested that a description of what the position's responsibilities are be included. We also discussed mining responses on the registration forms and forming a search committee to approach individuals for certain positions that require a member with experience in the Guild.

4. Dues Vote Results-Kate Grant:

- The Dues increase vote passed at the October 6th General Meeting. 79 members voted Yes (For), and 11 voted No (Opposed). Comments on the ballots were that members want a Jamboree. There were no comments when Kate asked for them before the vote

was held. Kate highlighted the fact that we accept donations for those members who wish to help with membership scholarships.

5. Election Results-Kate Grant:

- The following members were elected to the Executive Board for 2016 at the October 6th General Meeting: Diane Klose-President; Susie Hardy-Vice President; Pat Gillings-Treasurer; Sharon Ellisor and Carolyn Christiansen-Secretary (Shared position).
- The current Executive Board members may turn their binders over to the newly elected officers at the December meeting.

6. Auxiliary Raffle Quilt-Kathleen Stanley:

- The Western Quilt was very well received at the Draft Horse Classic. The Western Quilt made \$1,134.00 and the Opportunity Quilt made \$997.00. The Opportunity Quilt has made \$2,332.51 to date. Marjorie expressed her concern that it may be difficult to get volunteers to make Auxiliary Raffle quilts in the future. Kathleen made a Christmas Quilt to be raffled at the next Guild General Meeting and at the Christmas Fair at the Nevada County Fairgrounds. The drawing will be held on Sunday, the last day of the Christmas Fair.

7. Cooperative fundraiser with InConcert Sierra-Lois Hodges:

- Lois connected with Brett Bentley from InConcert Sierra. Sophia gave Lois the quilt that she donated for their fundraiser, and Lois will give it to InConcert tomorrow. Our ad will be forwarded to them via email. Our Opportunity Quilt will be displayed at their fundraiser in April 2016, and we will be able to sell tickets for it. We will also be allowed to have flyers and information about the Guild available.

F. New business

1. We Care Fund-Kate Grant and Karle deProse:

- The deadline for submitting quilts for We Care is October 20th.
- The IRS allows membership guilds to create Special Funds for Special Events. There are requirements like making copies of the checks, writing letters to large donors, etc.
- Marjorie asked if Community Service donations can be tax deductible. Community Service donations are not tax deductible, only the We Care Fund.
- We Care donations totaled \$856.00 at the General Meeting. \$450.00 was donated before that, and on the first day We Care was announced, \$250.00 was collected. That was all cash. There were many quilts and fabric donated.
- The unused funds collected for this event will roll into a disaster fund for future events.

2. Budget-Karle deProse and Kate Grant:

- We are down one speaker this year for a total of six.
- Scholarship is down to one recipient as well. The scholarships have been awarded to non-quilters. They have been painters. Kate suggested that the Scholarship committee view toward textiles. Joan suggested the need to re-write the requirements with the end result of awarding scholarships for textiles/fabric arts. Kate said that this will require a policy change.
- The Seventh Day Adventist Church (SDA) rent will increase.
- Kate suggested that if we save money on speakers, perhaps the savings could go toward holding a Jamboree. Discussion followed with ideas about how to create income by possibly charging a nominal fee for the Jamboree, as well as suggesting that attendees bring their own lunch in-lieu of the Guild providing the food. Another suggestion was to

re-locate the Jamboree to another venue. Joan recommended the Peace Lutheran Church.

- After detailed discussion on the budget, Heidi asked if there is now money in the budget so that she can add a seventh speaker. Karle said yes. There is money in the budget for her to do it. Karle suggested that Heidi put the speaker in September in-lieu of Affiliate Night, but just have the speaker and no workshop.
 - The current Chair of the Library, Molly Cook will not be doing it next year. She said that members are not using the Library and suggested that the Board consider dropping it. Marjorie McConnell made a motion to drop the Library. Ardy Tobin seconded the motion and it was passed. The Library is part of the bylaws, so the change will need to be made during the upcoming bylaw revision. If the Guild membership votes to drop the Library, there was discussion about having a book sale, perhaps at the March Mixer.
 - Marjorie McConnell made a motion to accept the Proposed Budget. Kathleen Stanley seconded the motion and it was passed.
3. Bylaw Review-Diane Klose:
- The members of the Bylaw Review Committee are: Diane Klose, Lois Hodges, Kate Grant, Marjorie McConnell and Mary Serpa.

G. Committee reports

1. Emailed reports

- **Library-Molly Cook:** At last night's General Meeting, no one checked out any Library books. The Board may want to consider doing away with the Library. Molly suggested that we could sell the books at the Country Store or donate them to the Treasure Table.
- **Newsletter-Sue Miller:** The deadline for submitting your articles is this Saturday by 5:00 p.m.

2. Reports by Committee Chairs

- **Web Liaison/Computer Records-Ardy Tobin:** Will Ardy post The Union We Care article on Facebook? Yes, she will. Ardy added that she will be the Hospitality Chair. Jill, a new member will help. Ardy has a list of mini-groups that she can call on. Three members of each group, in addition to Ardy and Jill will greet people at our meetings. Mary Serpa had an idea to give visitors or new members bright name tags to wear.
- **Quilt Show 2016-Marjorie McConnell:** All positions are filled except for the co-chair for 2017.
- **Community Service/Drop In-Marjorie McConnell:** Community Service is still happening. Quilts can be dropped off at the November General Meeting or at Community Service on November 19th. That is the deadline for dropping off quilts. Quilts will be distributed on December 2nd.
- **Opportunity Quilt Marketing 2016-Kathleen Stanley:** All Christmas Fair spots are filled. She has more Opportunity Quilt tickets here this evening to sell.
- **Speaker Workshops-Kathleen Stanley:** There are three spots still open for Ingrid Cattaneo's "Juvenile Garibaldi Fish" workshop on November 3rd.
- **Guild Challenge-Lois Hodges:** She will put an article in the November Newsletter and bring it up again at the General Meeting.
- **Programs/NCQC-Heidi Emmett:** She emailed her report with a list of speakers to Kate, and will forward it to Donna. Some of the speakers for 2016 are as follows: January-Laurel Anderson (lecture and 3 hour workshop; February-Jill Schlegeter, Heidi Emmett, Christine Barnes (lecture and workshop); March-Learn About the Guild; April-Donna Greenwald (lecture and 3 day workshop); May-What Else Do You Do?; June-Judy Coates Perez (lecture and workshop); July-Picnic; August-No Guild Meeting; September-Affiliate Night; October-Sandra Mollon (lecture and workshop); November-Pixel Ladies (lecture and hands on fun). She needs to find another speaker.

- **Holiday Party-Sophia Day:** Her team met and they have made plans for the Holiday Party. It will be held at the Seventh Day Adventist Church (SDA). Marjorie said that the room at SDA has already been reserved.
- **Membership-Marta Price:** We will start taking memberships next month. Ardy will send out the revised forms with the new membership fee, and it will also be included in the November Newsletter.
- **Treasurer-Karen Mitchell:** Karen said that last year we gave the LDS Church \$35.00 for our July Picnic. She thought that it would be nice to give them \$35.00 again for this year's picnic. Marjorie asked if we can put the money somewhere so that the payment is automatic. It is in the Budget under Gifts/Contributions. Marjorie McConnell made a motion to make an Annual Gift to the LDS Church for the Picnic. Lois Hodges seconded the motion and it was passed.
- **Finance, Budget/Audit-Karle deProsse:** She redid the 1997-2014 Report. The expenses have been revised. She passed out copies.
- **Treasurer 2016-Pat Gillings:** Brought up a discussion about the Guild's Reserve. Pat said that she will do some research into the matter.
- **Scholarship-Joan Mosley:** Joan will re-write the Scholarship requirements as stated above under New Business, Item 2. Budget.
- **Hall of Honor-Diane Klose:** She will put an announcement in the Newsletter. We need nominations.

H. Adjourn: President Kate Grant adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Switzer, Secretary