

#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES – September 11, 2025**

A meeting of the Board of Pine Tree Quilt Guild was called by Jeanne Pincha-Tulley on September 11, 2025 and the meeting was held at Ben Franklin in Grass Valley and was available via Zoom.

The following Executive Directors were present: Jeanne Pincha-Tulley, Beth Stagner and Annica Hagadorn. Kathy Mollet attended via Phone.

The following Board Members were present: Joan Mosley, Sue Miller, Sheri Doerr, Karle deProsse, Kathy Biggi, Lillian Glaeser, Nancy Holtz, Kris Cook, Rhonda Horne, Sophia Day, Holly Miner, Vaughn Rodriguez and Mary Serpa.

Jeanne Pincha-Tulley called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m., announced that a quorum was present, and that the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with its business. Jeanne Pincha-Tulley acted as Chairman of the meeting and Beth Stagner acted as Secretary.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after a motion duly made by Holly Mine, seconded by Sue Miller and unanimously carried, the minutes of the May 8, 2025 board meeting were approved and will be signed by the Secretary.

# **BOARD REPORTS:**

- 1. <u>Announcements Jeanne Pincha-Tulley: None.</u>
- 2. Treasurer's Report Kathy Mollet: Kathy: Our total revenue to date is \$11,442.53, so we are at about 80% of our budget. It looks like we will meet most of the line-item goals for revenue this year. Regarding expenses, there are only a couple of line items I will bring to your attention, we may not be spending the \$1,000 for shipping. Regarding the Guild retreat, between the revenue and the expenses, we were over \$144. At the Guild retreat, the Executive Board met, and we approved the overage for the retreat. We had funds for non-speaker, and I am not sure what that is for, but it maybe we don't spend that line item. On the Quilt Show side, under other income, we had \$9,000 budgeted and it came in at \$8,686. We have negative \$14,000 on our budget, but I don't think we will come in at that, I think it will be more like \$6,000 to \$7,000. Karle: I don't think we budgeted a \$14,000 deficit. Kathy: I will have to review the budget, then I can tell you what I am working from. Kathy: With regard to the Wells Fargo savings account, we don't really use that account any longer since we opened the CD's. My request to the board is to close that account because we are not using it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after a board discussion, a motion was duly made by Kathy Mollet, seconded by Kathy Biggi, and unanimously passed, it was

agreed that the board approve the closing of the Wells Fargo savings account and move the minimal funds to the checking account.

Kathy M: Also, Holly has agreed to run for the Treasurer position with the assumption that I will be the background bookkeeper. Tri Valley Bank's set up is such that I could still remain on the account and enter the information for bill pay, but Holly would be the person to approve the transaction and disperse the funds. Our CDs would remain at Wells Fargo since they are doing well. Kathy B: I don't think there is anything in the Bylaws that states that the Treasurer can't have an assistant. Kathy M: I would also remain as the bookkeeper for the Quilt Show. The board agrees with the proposal. Karle: I saw that you may want the Quilt Show account to be combined with the Guild's main checking account. The only issue I see is that there are different signers for each of those accounts. This subject will be deferred to a different meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS - DISCUSSION:**

- 1. <u>2026 Budget Committee by Karle deProsse</u>: The Budget Committee comprises of the President, the Vice President, the Financial Chair and one person from the Guild membership. I would like to have Holly join as the membership person, but if someone else wants to join that's okay too.
- 2. <u>Guild Retreats by Jeanne Pincha-Tulley</u>: Jeanne made a motion to the Board to make the Guild Retreat as an annual event. Motion by Jeanne add as an annual event, Shari seconded

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after a board discussion, a motion was duly made by Jeanne Pincha-Tulley, seconded by Sheri Doerr, and unanimously passed, it was agreed that the board approves making the Guild Retreat an annual event.

- Elks Lodge for General Meetings by Jeanne Pincha-Tulley: Jeanne asked opinions about continuing general meetings at the Elks Lodge in Nevada City. Sophia: It's not my favorite location for 2 reasons: 1) It's loud; and 2) you can't see the speaker or see show and tell, etc. Annica: We can arrange the room however we want. Jeanne: Also, we can open the accordion doors which helps with noise, we just cannot use rooms that are not on our contract. Also, with the tables it is not as welcoming for new people. Holly: I did not realize we contracted particular rooms. Can we contract to use the stage room and the main entry room? Annica: They have their lodge chairs on stage etc. so we would have to see if we can move the chairs, etc. Jeanne: Also, the stage room is more expensive. Lillian: I think the round tables promote friends sitting with friends and not shutting up. Also, it's a bit further away for some members. Kathy B: The setup is immaterial. Are we going to stay at Elks or go back to the school? Kris: What does the Elks require contractually? Jeanne: They don't require a contract, but a contract allows us to make sure the space is available on our dates. Sophia: Remember we did a survey. Let's do another quick survey to see what the membership wants. School or Elks? Lillian: I think we should also disclose what the cost of each is for rental. Sophia: We have an average of 80 people at our meetings, so let's see what they want. Jeanne: The survey needs to be quick and soon. Sophia: I would say Elks or School and why with an answer within a week. Sheri: Also, let them know that the seating can be changed. Kris: Cost per month for Elks? Jeanne: Its \$250.
- 4. <u>Global Quilt Connection by Sophia Day</u>: We discussed this at the last meeting that we would pay the \$150 to offer this Global Quilt Connection and I have provided the schedule for the next connection.

### **NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION:**

1. <u>Executive Board Elections Committee by Nancy Holtz and Kathy Mollet</u>: Kathy and I have done a lot of talking to people and not much response about getting members to step up into the executive board positions. I

did have someone offer for VP, but that person is already overloaded. Rhonda has volunteered to be nominated for Secretary. Sophia: I have volunteered to do either one, depending on which position we could fill. Karle: Maybe, we could rethink the job description for VP and create some new committees to take on some of the VP's responsibilities. Joan: I agree with Karle: Kathy B: If we have someone with experience as President, a newer member or two may be more comfortable as VP/Co-VP. Annica: I think two VPs would be great. The position can be overwhelming and there is a lot to do. I think if there are two, then it can be shared duties. Also, the expectation that the VP will move to the President position, maybe a lot for someone. Sophia: I think bringing in two members that are newer to the Guild (or maybe member(s) that have not held an officer position) - members who want to be leaders; and honestly, if they know that two members will also be helping them, it may be more attractive. I think regardless of what we do, we need to look at the Bylaws to see what got dumped on the VP position. Jeanne: We can take a look at the Bylaws at the next meeting. Joan: I know when I have been on the nomination committee, the main complaint was that any VP would have to be President. We have a very clear description of what the job entails and can push it out to other committees. Kathy B: I have been saying this for years, the Bylaws need to be revised. Annica: We are working on them now and they will be done. Holly: I think it states in the Bylaws there cannot be co-Presidents. Jeanne: Where are we in the discussion. Are we proposing that Sophia step up for President? Kris: I think if Sophia steps up that is great, but I would really like to see someone else step up. I think we are going to lose a lot of possible people, because one of us stepped up. Kathy B: I think we need to stand up at the general meeting and let membership know that we need people to step up. Kris: Maybe also have Jeanne send out a blast with what she has gained being president. Maybe something more personal and also have the entire board stand up so the membership knows how many members there are to help. Joan: I have had the privilege from teaching 101, that we have a lot of the new members that would be great, and I would be willing to be a mentor VP if we could bring a new person to be the VP. Sophia: What I would recommend at this point, if we are unable to present a slate of officers at the October general meeting, we state that we do not have anyone willing to be nominated for President or Vice President, but we do have a nomination for Secretary and for Treasurer. Karle: If we do not get anyone to step up, we have to stop the Guild from continuing until someone steps up.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after a board discussion, a motion was duly made by Sophia Day, seconded by Sue Miller, and unanimously passed, it was agreed that the board will state at the October General Meeting that in order for the Guild to operate, we need nominations for President and Vice President and the board will help mentor those positions. Further, we will have the entire board stand, so the members understand all the support available.

- 2. <u>Round Robin Event</u>: Peggy Vierra and Fraces O'Brien are willing to host a Round Robin challenge group in 2026.
- 3. Speaker Workshop Locations by Terry McFeely: Terry has been looking into locations. She found the Seaman's Lodge in Nevada City that may work, and also Lillian is working on going back to St. Canice for workshops only for next year.
- 4. <u>Board Meetings by Kathy Mollet</u>: In reaching out to people, all that I have spoken to have said they are already involved in other areas, or they are not interested in the executive board positions. I think in the more recent years, we have been much more efficient at our meetings. So, unless there is a pressing business necessity, I suggest we move to modified quarterly meetings, but we would just have to be more focused during the meetings. What I am trying to assure is that there are other vehicles to get things approved, etc. We don't have to decide today; I just wanted to see if there was any interest in the pros and cons of that suggestion. Kathy B: I am not sure what the Bylaws state, but the President can call a meeting at any time. Karle: I think we should start off with bi-monthly rather than quarterly. Lillian: I am against it, because how is the new board going to get to know each other, and I feel it starts the new board off at a disadvantage. Kris: I agree with Lillian with regard to the executive board. I also suggest we go back to Zoom meetings. Kathy B: Maybe this is something that should be

addressed to the new board, so they can decide? Holly: I don't think quarterly is a good solution. I think due to weather and when we are dark, it could be we would have to miss an important meeting. Sophia: I think we have heard from most of you, and we should put it on the agenda in January. Kathy: I am just trying to promote efficiency.

5. <u>Quilt Show Winners – Change to Policy by Sophia Day</u>: Sophia made a motion to change the wording in the Guild Policies, under Quilt Entries – Adult Advanced, should be updated as follows: add the word intermediate after first place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after a board discussion, a motion was duly made by Sophia Day, seconded by Annica Hagadorn, and unanimously passed, it was agreed that the Guild Policy under Quilt Entries – Adult Advanced under "This Group Includes:" shall now read: workshop instructors, teachers, the winners of 3 or more first place *intermediate* ribbons, Judge's Choice or Best of Show in a previous PTQG show, a quilting business owner.

6. 101 Quilting by Joan Mosley: I have already had 6 people ask to sign up for the 2026 Quilting 101 class. I will do signups at the October meeting; and I will need to speak. At our current venue, we can fit about 8 people, and I cram about 10. I have found another location, the Methodist church in Grass Valley, and it can fit double the current class size. It's also the same cost. The dilemma is that it has been traditionally the same day as workshop. The room, Wesley Hall, I was going to get both rooms for \$100 but I misunderstood, and its actually \$300. Theresa said she would change her workshop day. The church has the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month available. Theresa is good for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, and I would take the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. It is now \$200; however, I think if we charge the 101 members a small fee it could help offset the additional cost. Sophia: I don't think the \$800 we spend is a huge investment to help these new quilters. Karle: Also, part of our mission is to help the membership on their quilting journey. Jeanne: Can we put \$250 per month for speaker workshop in the 2026 budget?

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that after a board discussion, a motion was duly made by Joan Mosley, seconded by Holly Miner, and unanimously passed, it was agreed that we will have Quilting 101 and Home Workshop on two different days, and it will be \$200 per month (\$100 per class).

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. <u>Jamboree by Margaret Vodicka</u>: See Margaret's comments on the Agenda
- 2. <u>Challenge Quilt by Margaret Vodicka</u>: See Margaret's comments on the Agenda.
- 3. <u>New Member Tea by Ruth Bertacinni and Judy Hamilton</u>: As of today, half the people we contacted have responded yes to coming, plus 5 potential new members. Annica: I think they must be new members to attend. I can accommodate about 20.
- 4. Newsletter by Sue Miller: Sunday is the deadline.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Jeanne at 4:45 p.m.

Beth Stagner
Beth Stagner, Secretary