



Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Nevada County, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes
Thurs., March 12, 2020
LDS Church, Nevada City

Attendance: President Barbara Ceresa (by phone), Vice President Lillian Glaeser, Treasurer Kathy Mollet, Sophia Day, Sheri Doerr, Jean Marie McDonald, Sue Miller, Holly Miner, Nancy Holtz, Kathy Biggi, Susie Hardy, Karle deProsse, Mary Serpa, Ruth Bertaccini, Joan Mosley, Judy Hamilton, Anne Wilson, Susanne Haislet, Theresa Finn, Bev Sarchett, Jane Dunnington

- A. **Call to order** at 3:05 pm by President Barbara Ceresa.
- B. **Correspondence & Announcements:** Sophia Day reported that Mardie Caldwell's Uganda Project is asking for donations of cotton and flannel for making feminine hygiene products. She asked if this should be publicized to the membership in the Newsletter or through an email blast. She was advised to do both.
- C. **Minutes:** Lillian Glaeser moved to approve February's minutes. Sue Miller 2nd. Approved.
- D. **Treasurer's Report-Kathy Mollet:** Current balances were reported. Jean Marie MacDonald moved to approve the report. Lillian Glaeser 2nd. Approved. A discussion of possible investment ideas has been moved to another meeting.
- E. **Old Business: None**
- F. **New Business:**
 - 1. **2020 Quilt Show Status** – At a meeting held earlier today the Quilt Show Board and the Executive Guild Board discussed the upcoming May 2-3, 2020 show with the objective of deciding whether or not to cancel the event. It was their unanimous decision to recommend cancellation of the show based on these known issues:
 - a. With the current information from the WHO, CDC, and California governor it is an action that reflects public health concerns for our guild members, our vendors, and the greater community.
 - b. The current financial loss would be about \$800, but there would be a greater financial risk in delaying the decision, based on the contractual agreement deadlines with the fairgrounds.

- c. As the calendar draws closer there would not be enough time to accomplish the necessary work to insure a successful show.
- d. The 2020 Opportunity Quilt will be raffled on May 3 as advertised.
- e. The Jamboree will go forward as planned.

After careful and respectful dialogue that offered everyone the opportunity to contribute information and opinions, and based on the recommendation of the Quilt Show Board and the Executive Guild Board, Kathy Biggi moved that due to the health and safety guidelines of the World Health Organization, the Center for Disease Control, and the governor of California, the 2020 Quilt Show, "Springtime In the Pines", be canceled. Susie Hardy 2nd. Approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

2. Ongoing Cancellation-Related Recommendations:

- a. Holly Miner will inform NCQC and associated guilds of the cancellation.
- b. 2020 Featured Quilter Christine Barnes will be scheduled for the 2021 Show, and Lorna Straka will be the Featured Quilter in 2022.
- c. Ask Vendor Chair Terry McFeely to contact vendors to express appreciation for their support and to return vendor fees. Send a notice to the membership with a list of the vendors and ask them to consider supporting those businesses when possible.
- d. Judging Chair Jean Marie MacDonald will contact the two judges to express appreciation and ask them to consider returning for the 2021 Show.
- e. Ask Basket Chair to contact businesses that donated products, express the guild's thanks, and inform them, with their agreement, that those products will be held for the 2021 Show and kept in the guild storage room.
- f. Boutique Chair Joan Mosley will contact vendors to let them know that their #'s will remain the same for 2021.
- g. Country Store Chair will contact members to let them know that their #'s will remain the same for 2021.
- h. Members will explore opportunities to extend the sale of Opportunity Quilt tickets prior to May 3rd in order to make up for the usual sales during the show.
- i. Send a letter to guild members highlighting future positive actions where all can participate, including entering quilts at the county fair in August, attending the Jamboree, and looking forward to fun activities in future general membership meetings.
- j. Holly Miner thanked the two boards for their logical, thoughtful, and pragmatic approach to this very difficult decision noting it was a condition of times we have never seen before. Many echoed her thoughts.

- ## **3. Decisions for Guild Calendar Events in Weeks Ahead-Pres. Barbara Ceresa:**
- The same public health concerns will likely exist for some time to come. It would be responsible to the membership and the community to cancel the Community Service and Home Workshop/Quilting 101 meetings in March and April, and cancel the April general membership meeting. Visiting guilds with scheduled opportunity quilts will be notified. A decision about the April board meeting and the May general meeting can be made by the Executive Board at a later date and notifications sent out. Sue Miller moved to cancel the March and April activities. Sophia Day 2nd. Approved unanimously.

G. Committee Reports:

1. **Scholarship-Barbara Ceresa for Sue Marshall:** There are currently six applicants. The deadline is April 1. A committee will be assembled to consider them and make a selection.
2. **Jamboree-Bev Sarchett:** Rooms have been reserved at Peace Lutheran Church for Saturday, October 10, 2020. There are two teachers committed for sure with two more possible. An inquiry to the membership about possible interest and attendance could allow for more teachers.
3. **Program-Sophia Day for Bernie Kringel:** A speaker is scheduled for June. Anne Wilson is the contact person for the Speaker Workshop sign-ups.
4. **Raffle Quilts:** The Draft Horse Classic quilt is coming along. **Sophia Day** displayed the festive County Christmas raffle quilt top. Many compliments!
5. **Mini Groups-Jane Dunnington:** There are 18 new members who want to join a group.
6. **Membership-Jean Marie MacDonald:** There are currently 202 members, 16 affiliate members of whom two are new this year: Quilting by Stephanie and The Hand Quilters. Stephanie will be featured at the May meeting.
7. **Patchwork Star-Holly Miner for Jeanne Ferguson:** There is a Star for the April newsletter. She will be presented at the next general meeting.
8. **Community Service-Nancy Holtz:** Twenty lap quilts were dropped off at Golden Empire Convalescent this last month.
9. **Opportunity Quilt 2021:** The embellishing is currently being completed by Karle deProsse.
10. **Quilting 101-Joan Mosley:** This group of enthusiastic learners is growing each month. The plan is to use Community Service fabrics, practice making blocks, and make quilts to donate.
11. **Finance-Karle deProsse:** The 2019 tax returns have been filed.
12. **Opportunity Quilt 2020-Holly Miner:** There are no more opportunities for bookings prior to the May 3rd drawing. Karle will check on the legal wording for electronic reminders of tickets for sale, and she will check on the legality of waiting until the May general meeting (two days later) to do the drawing.
13. **Show & Tell-Ruth Bertaccini:** If there is a May meeting then Show & Tell can happen. A notice will be sent out.

H. Comments:

Thank you to everyone for thoughtful and respectful participation in today's discussions and decisions. Safe travels to Barbara Ceresa on flying back to California. Good health and safety to all! Susie Hardy moved to adjourn. Sue Miller 2nd. Approved unanimously!!

I. Meeting Adjourned at 4:01 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Sheri Doerr
Secretary