Quilters Guild of Plano General Meeting Minutes

January 14th, 2021

Julie Schaefer

The following meeting was done via the Zoom Cloud Meeting application. These meetings will continue using a media application as long as the COVID-19 pandemic prevents large groups of people meeting in person. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.

President's Business: Linda Neal

- The minutes of December 10th, 2020 were approved as published on the Guild website.
- The approved treasurers cash flow report of October 31, 2020 is found on the Guild Website.
- Zoom small groups are going well. If interested in joining send Linda an email lindanealmck@hotmail.com.
- There was a fun New Year's Eve Zoom party.
- All of our meetings are on Zoom. We have 222 Guild members with around 90-105 members joining our Zoom general meetings. We want to encourage members to join our meetings so that they know what is going on with the Guild and positions that are open. We are planning on a quilt show and will need many volunteers to work the show. There will be a nomination committee soon and there are many positions on the board that will be open. We are trying to reach every member with information about the Guild. To spread information we have a webpage, use Facebook and have a newsletter. We want to be sure and connect with all members.
- Presently a position that needs assistance is Finance. Chanda Smith now needs an assistant to help with the Show and finances. If you are good at bookkeeping and financial issues, please contact Chanda if you will help her chanda@airmail.net.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Quilt Plano 2021: Donna Petrick

- All meetings for the Show Committee are on the Guild website. A list of the needed positions and their descriptions are on the website. To access this information look under Membership, Guild Documents, Quilt Show.
- Right now Donna is needing: Door Prize Chair, Logistics Chair, Signs Chair. (All of these positions you can do with a friend.) Assistants are needed with: Registration Chair, Security, Set Up and Take Down, Vendors and Sponsors. If interested in one of the positions, please contact Donna <u>petrickdl@outlook.com</u>

Membership: Sue Rentz

- Sue welcomed visitors to our meeting.
- We presently have 222 members of the Guild versus the 350-membership count of last year. We would like to have those that haven't renewed become active again especially with the quilt show coming up. Information on how to renew is on the website and in the newsletter.

Guild Activities: Linda Neal

- The December "Stay Connected Challenge" blocks and their associated quilter are shown on the website. The winner of the Challenge that will receive all the blocks is Dena Smith.
- In March our speaker is from the Quilts of Valor Foundation. Members are asked to
 make a quilt for March to support this charity, whose mission is: "to cover Service
 Members and Veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor." If
 you can't make a quilt top and would like to make a block instead, go to our website
 under activities where there is a link that will take you to their website for details in

- making a block. The Quilts of Valor website will also give you information about making a quilt for them.
- The February challenge is "Show Us Your Shibori". Debbie Maddy is our speaker. She will be showing her Indigo Shibori dying. If you have an example of Shibori send a picture to Activities: activities@qqplano.org.

Community Service: Dolores Williams

- Valerie (Salter) and Dolores discussed having a drop off and pick up in January.
 Because the Covid virus is presently so rampant it was decided it would be better to not have one in January.
- Last month Dolores was to draw from a list of people who turned in a "Birthday Quilt" during 2020. Originally this contest was to have people turn in a quilt in the month of their birthday for Community Service, but now you can turn in a quilt any time during the year and say that it is your birthday quilt. These quilts are given to one of our organizations. There were 6 people that entered the contest in 2020. Rachel Carithers was the winner and will receive the prize of 6" Scrap Crazy templates.

Programs: Janet Carver

- In February Debbie Maddy will show us her Indigo Shibori Dying; March Suzanne
 DiCarlo will talk about Quilts of Valor; April is J. Michelle Watts who will present on
 Wearable Art; June, Gyleen Fitzgerald's lecture will present: "Path to Modern". All the
 details for upcoming programs are on the website under Activities and Programs.
- Michael Davison explained the Zoom workshop he will be doing on February 27^{th,}
 (9:00 Am 3:00 PM): "Reverse Focus Quilts". The workshop will center around using large scale print fabric as a background and designing around negative space. Information may be found on the website under Activities and Programs. Information may also be found on Facebook and michaelquilts.com/workshops.

Information about the cancelled 2021 Quilt Retreat is found on the website: in the January Newsletter, in the Board Meeting Minutes of 12/28/20 and under Activities.

The business meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm. Following the business meeting Jenny K. Lyon presented: "My Journey through the Artistic Muddle".

The next general meeting will be February 11th, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.