

Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild – Board Meeting October 7th, 2015

Members Present: Renee Darkis, Karon Jacobson, Judi Swanda, Mary Jo Havertape, Jackie Heyes and Carla Mewhinney.

The Meeting was called to order at 10:40 am at STC in Weslaco, Texas

Treasurer, Karon Jacobson reported that the guild needs a Statutory Agent for State of Texas. Judi Swanda motioned and Mary Jo Havertape seconded that the Statutory Agent be Karon Jacobsen as she does all the other legal paperwork. No objections made and motion passed.

The bond for 2016 has been paid. The NQA has disbanded and no insurance is available through them. Karon has researched three companies looking for insurance for the guild and the best was through B & B Insurance, 120 N. 10th St., McAllen, Texas 78501. They will cover all events held by the guild. (ie. Meetings, classes, shows etc.) Motion made by Carla Mewhinney and seconded by Mary Jo Havertape that we approve and obtain insurance offered by B & B, no Objections and motion carried.

Karon requested that all mail for the guild be sent to the P O Box 32, Weslaco, 78599. She has had a problem getting mail sent to other addresses. We then discussed the CD's held by the guild and the small savings account. A motion was made that the savings account be rolled over into the smallest CD when it becomes due in February 2016.

Student Scholarships for 2014 and 2015 have just now been paid due to late turn in of paperwork by those responsible. It has been decided that the student who wins the award must turn in paperwork proving they are enrolled in school to Evlyn Fincher or Karon Jacobson in order to receive the money.

Karon presented the Board with the FY2016 Budget which was approved and passed with change in amounts on Scholarships for Officers to \$3000. and members to \$1800. Motion made by Jackie Heyes and passed by Mary Jo Havertape.

Newsletter: Jackie Heyes reports there has been a problem getting the newsletter sent out via e-mail despite having tried two times... she will continue to work on this problem.

Military Quilts: Mary Jo Havertape asked for a clarification on the 3 yards of fabric donated to Military Quilts by members at last meeting.... All fabric goes to Military Quilts. Next Sew Day is November 14th.

New Business: The Board discussed amending the By-Laws to allow voting of Officers by members at guild meeting and to discontinue the mail in ballot as very few ever reply. Discussion tabled .

Renee Darkis advised that during Friendship Day in September Jan McCoy, a new member had volunteered to run for the office of 3rd VP – Programs. She will become Alice Gibson's assistant for the remainder of the year.

All further Board Meetings will be held at STC.

Renee reports that a rep from Martelli Cutting Co., who have cutting tables, would like to present at our December Meeting a 45-60 min. program and would give a door prize of one table. They would also like to be a vendor at the Quilt Show. Renee discussed this with Alice as it would cut into the time our Speaker would have and it was decided that if the official part of the meeting was cut back that this would be doable. Our scheduled speaker would go first, followed by Martelli after break.

It was discussed and proposed that three officers who do most of the work throughout the year were not included in the Scholarships that they be added to this group. Therefore the offices of President, 1st thru 3rd VP's and the Treasurer and Secretary will receive a scholarship along with the Chair of the Quilt Show.. This is to be retroactive to include those officers in 2015. Motion made by Carla Mewhinney and seconded by Jackie Heyes.

No objections and motion carried. Discussion was then held regarding giving the new Assistant to Alice Gibson \$300. partial scholarship to attend Houston in order to line up speakers for next year's guild meetings/show. Motion made by J. Swanda and seconded by Carla Mewhinney, Motion passed.

Saturday's Meeting will be our Annual Garage Sale

Respectfully submitted by Judi Swanda, Secretary