

RIO GRANDE VALLEY QUILT GUILD – BOARD MEETING 12-9-15

The meeting was called to order by Renee Darkis, President at 10:30 am.

Secretary, Judi Swanda asked how far back the minutes needed to be kept as she has some for 2004. A motion was made to keep 7 years of minutes by Carla Mewhinney, seconded by Bonnie Hall. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Account balance is \$30,874.21. Karon advised that there are all new forms posted on the web site and requested that these forms be used beginning immediately. Karon also requested that anyone who has a check from the guild to please cash it immediately as it is the end of the year approaching and she would like all checks cleared from the account. Copies of the 2016 Budget were handed out to Board Members.

Announcements: Carla Mewhinney announced that due to the unavailability of STC for the January 2016 meeting the meeting will be held at the Weslaco Performing Arts Center at 499 E 6th St., in Weslaco. This will cost the guild \$600.00.

Community Service: Mary Jo Havertape reports that she will give 3 months report on Saturday at the General Meeting as she has been out of town.

Programs: Alice Gibson reports that the Instructors for the Quilt Show have been scheduled, further info to follow at another meeting. She also reports that she was given a lot of fabric (children's) to be donated for anyone making children's quilts. She will get a name of the woman who donated this fabric so that a thank you card can be sent.

Schoolhouse: Karen Dill requested a clarification on the name of the spelling of Quilter's vs Quilters'. It was decided that it was Quilters'.

Sunshine & Shadows: Board was notified of member Bernley Veilleux's passing and of Nila Layman's husband being critically ill.

Website: Bonnie Hall report that she now has Office 365 and is able to use cloud as a back-up etc.

Newsletter: Jackie Heyes requested a picture of the Opportunity Quilt and a picture of the group who made it for the newsletter. Articles due the 15th.

Quilt Show Board met earlier today and Deb Blackbourn reports she still has several openings. We are down to 2 quilt racks for hanging quilts. Motion made by Alice Gibson and seconded by Judi Swanda to purchase a third rack. Motion passed.

Military Service Quilts: Mary Jo Havertape reports that the Salvation Army does not require any quilts at this time. Next Sew Day is scheduled for Raymondville on the 27th of January 2016. Need a minimum of 20 sewers or it will be cancelled. She also requested a place to store all the fabric etc. Motion made by Alice Gibson and seconded by Jackie Heyes to authorize the rent of a Climate Controlled Storage Unit. Motion Passed.

New Logo: Several logos were submitted to the Board and a motion was made by Karyn Heaney and seconded by Deb Blackbourn that the logo submitted by Valarie Begeman be the winner. Motion passed. Pins will be obtained and the winner announced at a future meeting (when pins are delivered). Motion made by Mary Jo Havertape and seconded by Karyn Heaney that the cloth label given out in the new member package be eliminated immediately. Motion passed. New members to make their own name tags.

Retreat: Karyn Heaney reports that she has 46 signed up for 1st retreat and over 50 for the second. She would like a volunteer from the first group to assist in getting door prizes and discounts for those attending. There is a list of attendees on the web site.

Installation of Officers will be done by Renee Darkis at the beginning of the January Meeting.