

Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild Board Minutes – February 10th, 2016.

The meeting was called to order by Carla Mewhinney at 10:15 am.

Secretary's Minutes adopted as posted.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance in account is 35,683.49. Karen handed out copies of the 2016 Budget. The guild has rented a storage area in Weslaco for the Military Quilts/supplies. We have also purchased a phone from Verizon in order to enable us to accept credit cards for payments. This will be used at the Quilt Show. She rec'd \$1,000. from the Fat Quarter Raffle and will be receiving another approximate \$600.

Membership: Currently we have 254 members with an additional 5 added today. There is a directory on the website with all members names/addresses but the password must be used in order to get to it. Only current members will be eligible for the Scholarship drawings at guild meeting on Saturday, February 13th, 2016. Three scholarships will be drawn with eight alternates.

Community Service: No report

Programs: Motion made by Karon Jacobson to create a committee to assist with programs. Karen Dill seconded. Motion passed. Carla Mewhinney will ask for volunteers at Saturday meeting. Jan McCoy would like to create a way to get feedback on what members want in programs and if they were satisfied etc. with classes. A new location for Friendship Day will need to be obtained as Pharr South is no longer available. Karon Jacobson is to look into possible new locations for meetings. A table will need to be set up for a Scholarship demo at meeting on Saturday.

Schoolhouse: Karen Dill has one class open for next year, otherwise all classes are set.

A motion was made by Mary Jo Havertape and seconded by Deb Blackburn to change the location for all programs and schoolhouse classes to Renee Darkis's studio (Fiber Arts Quilting School, 1623 N. Tower Rd., Alamo. Voted on and motion passed effective with March classes. Jan McCoy will notify Alice that we will no longer need the church.

Sunshine & Shadows: Sharon DeGarimore's husband ill, Sharon Chapman remains in hospital in ICU and Vicki Guerra's daughter is ill.

New Logo will require the purchasing of a stamp for use on name tags etc. also will need labels to go on envelopes, new letterhead, by-laws and directory. Renee Darkis will obtain the stamp. The new pins will be available in March.

Newsletter: Information due on the 15th. Copies of the newsletter are sent to various guilds. It was suggested that we have a section in the newsletter announcing upcoming shows for the members information.

Quilt Show: A Quilt Show chairman and a quilt are needed for the 2018 show.

Military Service: A Sew Day is set for 2-24-2016 at Trophy Gardens from 9 am to 3 pm. Lunch will be served (bring your own drink). Lucy Klass is the coordinator and Bonnie Cassidy will be in charge.

Retreat: Karen Heaney announced that she has several openings in both retreats due to cancellations. Dates for retreats in 2017 are March 13th thru 17th and March 19th thru 23rd.

Respectfully submitted by Judi Swanda, Secretary