

RGVQG November 6, 2019 Board Meeting

Kathe LeTulle, President, called the meeting to order at 1 P.M.

Kathe welcomed everyone back for the winter season and asked that the Executive Committee meet for a short meeting after the Board Meeting.

Secretary – Joy Paugh: The October Board Minutes were posted on the website. With no changes or corrections, the minutes stand as posted.

Treasurer – Diane Tewell: The October ending bank balance is \$8,023.00. The October ending balance for the savings account is \$33,142.82. The balance of the retreat account is \$3,000.00. Diane outlined the detail of the October income. At this time, we are ahead \$4,000.00 on the budget. Pam Manley asked if the Guild has a process in place to automatically transfer money from the bank account to savings. Diane said due to the financial picture of the Guild there are not automatic transfers.

Publicity – Judi Swanda: Winter Texan Times, Welcome Home Winter Texans, and the Monitor have published articles or notices about the RGVQG meetings. The Winter Texan Times will send a reporter to Brookridge to cover the presentation of quilts. All publicity for the Guild and the Guild Quilt Show must go through Judi Swanda and Laural Powell.

School House Classes – Karen Dill: Karen provided an average attendance of the School House Classes for the past 3 seasons. 2016-2017: 14.7, 2017-2018: 17, 2018-2019: 15.6. Discussion was held on how to reduce the cost of programs and school house classes, the Guild will encourage use of Guild members as teachers and instructors.

Military Service Quilts – Pam Manley (Lucy Klaas): Pam and Lucy spent time organizing the storage shed. Pam commented that the Guild might be able to rent a smaller space. 8 quilts are to be presented today. 20 will be presented at Brookridge on November 11. Heritage and the McAllen Veterans Home will receive wall hangings. It was suggested that lap quilts be given to the veteran's rehab center in Harlingen. Sew days are planned for January 15 and 29, 2020. Snow to Sun and Trophy Gardens. 53 quilts are needed for the RGVQG Quilt Show in February.

Sunshine and Shadows – Maggie Putney: Lucy Klaas commented that Judi Jaranowski's family was very impressed with the acknowledgement of Judi's passing.

Retreat – Marty Morrison for Kayrn Heaney: Friendship Retreat has 2 openings. December Meeting is deadline for final payment. Bluebonnet Retreat has waiting list. January Meeting is the deadline for final payment.

Membership – Marty Morrison: 2019 membership is 319. 2020 membership at this time is 77 people. 10 have paid the extra \$5.00. 13 new members. Discussion was held about the necessary changes to various website pages if the increase of \$5.00 per yearly membership dues are approved at the November 2019 meeting.

Academic Scholarships – Evelyn Fincher: Letters have been sent to schools and to Rosario Garcia and Valeria Garza (last years recipients) regarding the 2020 scholarship. Currently, \$1,000.00 is allocated for each scholarship. The Guild provides 2 scholarships were year.

2020 Quilt Show – Marsha Santow: The Quilt Show is on course with plans. Linda Swonger stated that 26 vendors have been secured; many of which are new and one is from California. Chairperson(s) are needed for Receiving and Returning of the Quilts as well as a location is needed for the Receiving and Returning of Quilts. Deb Warner has step by step instructions on the Receiving and Returning of quilts.

Elections / Voting – Judy Brown: 90 ballots have been cast as of this meeting. Friday at noon the on-line voting will close. Saturday a table will be set up for members to do paper ballots.

Website – Judy Brown for Bonnie Hall: Bonnie and Judy will be working on revisions to the website after the vote on Saturday. Contact Judy if you have suggestions or corrections for the website.

Community Service – Rick Redd: October totals – Items: 62, Hours: 146, Value: \$1,058.50.

Youth Sew / Home School – Subie Redd: The Christmas Stocking project for the Children’s Hospital in Edinburg is going well. 180 of the 200 goal are completed. Non-Christian stockings are also included. The hospital will handle the publicity. It was suggested that a picture of the stockings be taken without children included to use for our use. Students will finish the garment and tote in December. Spring the project will be double knit.

Newsletter – Diana Wolf: November 15th the articles are due for the newsletter. Articles from Bee’s are important to the newsletter. Discussed the importance of job descriptions for the by-laws.

Maggie Putney showed a safety belt pillow that would be great for the boutique.

Deb Blackburn is responsible for the Community Service room at the quilt show. Deb is planning on setting up sewing machines.

Kathe thanked everyone for their attendance and reminded the Executive Committee to remain for a short meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Paugh, Secretary