

Board minutes amended from September 8, 2021

Present were Leslie Lorenzo, Diana Wolf, Jackie Landon, Kathe Letulle, Lucy Klaas, Michael Hall, Jean Waufle, Mellie Peach, Jan Rondeau, Jan Bathke, Bonnie Hall, Chris Cowan and Gayle Steinbeck. A quorum was established.

The meeting was called to order by Kathe Letulle at 9:00 am.

A motion was made and seconded to continue holding the Board meetings via Zoom. The motion passed.

Kathe asked if there was further discussion about not having in person General meetings at Trophy Gardens in 2022 during April, May June, July or August to save \$300 per month, or about \$1500 this year. One member mentioned that several others wanted in-person meetings. Mike Hall stated if there was no income from the Quilt Show, the bank balance would be zero at the end of 2022. The contract was reviewed in detail. The possibility of hybrid meetings was considered and will be investigated further. We want to present the contract to Trophy Gardens to reserve the dates for the General Meetings. We also want them to review the contract and address any concerns they may have. The tentative meeting dates listed were: Nov. 13 and Dec. 11 of 2021 and Jan. 8, Feb. 12 and March 12, Apr. 9, May 14, Jun. 11, July 9, Aug. 13, Sep. 10 and Oct. 8, 2022.

Schoolhouse and Program classes were also listed as if they were to be held at Trophy Gardens. If a teacher wanted to teach a class after their program presentation on Zoom it will eliminate the expense of renting a room at Trophy Gardens. All of the Program Speakers are presenting their programs via Zoom and this is saving the Guild the cost of their travel expenses. Bonnie Hall moved the Program Classes be held exclusively on Zoom for the 2021-2022 season. Jan Bathke seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Schoolhouse classes may be held in person. Trophy Gardens provides their large hall for free for Military Sew Days. After many comments and some wording revisions, Jan Bathke moved the contract be approved by the Board, and Mellie Peach seconded it. The motion carried and the contract will be presented to Trophy Gardens management.

Mike Hall brought to our attention a new provision, ASU 2020-07, effective Jan 1, 2022, regarding new provisions relating to nonfinancial gifts to nonprofit organizations. This is a result of IRS regulations. Specifically, we should be accounting for any *member*-donated goods or services to non-profits that would require a purchase if not for the donation. An example would be donated or discounted fabric donated by a member to the Guild. The full cost of the fabric and the discounted price would be shown on the receipt so the value of the discount could be calculated to determine the actual donation of the member. However, the longarm services and quilt finishing donations would be reported under Community Service. The audit trail for these transactions can be anonymous. These new procedures largely affect the Treasurer, and somewhat the Military Service Quilt activities. They may affect other members as well.

Diana Wolf, Beekeeper and Bylaws, reported no new activity.

Community Service, Chris Cowan, reported 97 items, 1071 hours and donated items valued at \$7,764.75.

There were no changes reported by the Fat Quarter Draw or Facebook committees.

Historian position remains vacant.

The Hostesses, Gayle Steinbeck and Susan Hudson had no new activity to report.

Susan Coleman, Librarian, had no activity to report.

We have 203 members as reported by Marty Morrison, Membership Chair.

The Military Service Quilt committee donated a quilt to be presented to Luis Trevino of McAllen. Kathy Dunning and her husband, Todd, did the actual presentation and the committee thanked her for their efforts.

Judy Brown listed that the newsletter deadline remains this coming Monday evening.

The Nominating committee report is due by the October Board and General meetings. They and the Board were asked to develop names for nominees and send these to the Nominating committee. Voting for the officers will occur online and in person again this year. It is possible that someone can run from the floor for an open position.

The Community Service Outreach programs are suspended until the pandemic subsides.

Programs, Jean Waufle, reported the next Guild program will consist of breaking into small groups and each group discussing a topic.

Kathe Letulle had the Publicity Chair book in hand and will be giving it to Jan Rondeau in the near future. She will then have information to begin our publicity campaign.

The Quilt Show chair, Laural Powell, reported that quilt show pins have been ordered. Registration is open for quilts and show classes on the RGVQG website. The Opportunity Quilt was being quilted. All materials and services needed to complete it were donated. It will be ready for display in October and ticket sales for it will begin then. It will also be displayed at the Jackson Street Market Days with tickets available for purchase.

No one has come forward to serve as Show Chair in 2023. Mike Hall stated he felt the South Padre Island Convention Center will be raising their fees after our show in February 2022. It was noted we have 30 days after the close of the Quilt Show in 2022 to give a deposit check for the Show for the following year. If the Quilt Show does not continue, other options will have to be pursued to raise funds for Guild activities. A smaller venue, or a shorter time length of time for the Show will result in a smaller number of vendors. This could affect net proceeds. Some vendors have delayed registration for our Quilt Show as they were burned by the Houston Show and Market which did not return their deposit for either event.

Opportunity Quilt tickets may be electronic or paper, or both. The committee is working through the decisions about how to proceed with the tickets.

Retreats are filling steadily.

Scholarship Chair, Leslie Lorenzo, is to update the scholarship forms with the new dates and get them to Bonnie Hall in the near future.

Schoolhouse classes and their rosters are available on the website for the November and December events. Debbie Williams is working on teachers for other months.

Jackie Landon, Sunshine and Shadows, has continued to send cards to members as she is notified.

No report from Youth Outreach.

Bonnie Hall reported we have been receiving some spam emails that, at first glance, seem to come from the Guild. If you receive any emails that don't seem quite right, please forward them along to Bonnie.

We still need Chairs for the next two following years.

The minutes of the last meeting were presented by Diana Wolf, Secretary. The spelling of one member's name had been corrected prior to the minutes being posted. The minutes were approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Wolf, Secretary