

REQG Board Minutes
April 11, 2011

Call To Order - President Susie called meeting to order at 6:40pm. In attendance were: Susie Freese, Amy Gomes, Anne Carlisle, Wanda Wahlund, Gladys Hartman, Sherrill Adams, Charlotte Viredaz, Maggie Stimson, Mary Hall, Kathie Aoki, Betty Hendrickson, Nancy Frost, and Mimi Mace.

Correspondence - Thank you note with photo for the quilts donated to Miranda Head Start.

Treasurer's Report - Handout provided. Discussion followed.

Approval of Minutes - Approval of minutes. First and seconded by Maggie and Charlotte. Passed.

Officer's Reports

1st Vice President - Cheryl absent. Susie shared report. The National Quilting weekend was a success. Discussion followed re: having similar events and deciding on location over cost. The lighting and ability to have more attendees if held at Redwood Acres vs lower rental cost but there were power issues, expense of providing power cords, and toilet paper; ants and parking. Other venues discussed.

May will be focused on the Quilt Show.

June is the final meeting and will be a celebration with Mexican food. Will have a number of special guests: Vet's Center, Eureka Children's Center and Red Cross. Sherrill will host their table. Will also be having a couple of the HAF grant recipients give a short presentation of their projects.

2nd Vice President - Maggie Ball is on the calendar for October 8th. Will need to reserve a space if Redwood Acres not available. Maggie has already sent books to donate to our guild and sending the two quilts samples for the classes she will be teaching. Pat Sloan is slated for February, 2012.

Secretary - No report.

Parliamentarian - Gladys reports she has a slate for the upcoming offices to present at May meeting and open for nominations from the floor for June election.

Past President - Nothing to report.

Standing Committees

Community Liaison - Sherrill reports having two large quilts and two smaller quilts. Also gave five quilts to North Coast Children Services.

Need more batting. Susie can get 93" wide x 30 yds for \$100, which will work nicely for the twin size quilts needed for the Veteran's Center Home. Motion made and seconded by Maggie and Nancy to purchase the needed batting. The new Veteran's home will have a limited number of beds for women with children so can use more variety of quilt colors/designs. Gladys reports she has fabric donated by Marion Barker.

Library - Charlotte will be having the book sale in May. Have a number of 80's and 90's books. Will have two tables for the \$1/book sale. Recommend to have a live auction for the large American Quilt book, which retails for \$75.

Membership - Maggie provided written report. 148 members; nine business members; three business associates; one associate; two junior for a total of 163. April meeting there were a total of 88 members; two new members and eight guests. Discussion followed on the membership drive and the current special on charm packs and jelly rolls. Members who join prior to the September meeting will be given a charm pack; a member who brings in a new member will get a jelly roll, both subject to while supply lasts! Mimi reports there are currently 60 charm packs and 17 jelly rolls available.

It is agreed to have the special at the Quilt Show if have charm packs still available.

Newsletter - Articles due by April 15.

Publicity - Mary has been doing an excellent job getting articles submitted with photos. She reminds the board it is a "hit and miss" with the local paper and if they have space for the articles then they get published. Members are reminded to submit photos and info to Mary for any quilt events.

Quilt Show 2011 - Betty notes next meeting will be Monday, April 18 6pm at HAF. Her husband is able to repair 20 of the quilt stands at cost of \$111. She also made 2 more miniature quilts and discussion followed on pricing for such items at Market Place.

Susie reminded Betty to get the floor plan for the May meeting to her so she can turn it in to Redwood Acres.

Special Committees

Block of the Month - No report

Doll Quilts - No report

Fat Quarter Raffle - No report

Historian - No report

Hospitality - No report

Preemie Quilts - Nancy reports have 30 quilts and will send to UCSF.

Raffle Table - Kathie reports the table made \$110 at April meeting. Planning a \$2 raffle table, which will be a separate table and Susie will pull those tickets first at the May meeting. There are some nice high end items that have been donated.

Show and Tell - Now that the stage is rebuilt will have participants up on stage to present their items so can be viewed better by all. Also need to encourage presenters to keep information short.

Sunshine - No report

HAF - Will have a couple of the grant recipients at June meeting to present their projects.

Old Business

AccuCutter Machine - Have dropped selling price from \$350 to \$275. It retails for \$500. Susie offered "free quilting for twin size quilt with purchase". Mary will add to Craig's List description. If does not sell before Quilt Show will sell at Market Place.

The larger AccuCutter is being used for Community Quilts and the Veterans Quilts project. It was also used to make the Charm Boxes and Jelly Rolls, which are being used for the current Membership Drive.

At this time we have:

Strip cutters: 1 1/2", 2 1/2", 3 1/2", 4 1/2", 6 1/2"

Sets: Take 5, 5" squares (cuts 8 at a time), Large tumblers (cuts 4), Small tumblers (cuts 8), a 12" block set containing different shapes

We don't have a lot of Dies, but what we have is really great for the mass production cutting for the Community Quilts.

Plaza Design - Have made \$217.25 so far for consignment items.

Quilting Weekend - See earlier notes in minutes.

Studio Tour - Mimi handed out some ideas for fundraising, one being a "studio tour". Discussion tabled to May board meeting.

New Business

Credit Card Machine - CCCU has a program which allows us to have a credit card machine that only costs us when we turn it on. Can use debit/credit or gift cards. We will be able to use not only at Quilt Show but also throughout the year, such as at Basket Auctions.

Classes for Members - Discussion followed on how well received the National Quilting weekend was and how we can have more one-day classes put on by members. Susie will teach a string piecing class on Saturday, June 4th from 9a - 3p for \$10. She will even provide supplies. No venue confirmed at the time of this writing but if at Redwood Acres the cost is \$500/day.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.