

REQG Board Meeting
November 8, 2010

Call to Order: 6:38 P.M.

Present: Susie Freese, Betty Hendrickson, Cheryl Pekar, Amy Gomes, Anne Carlisle, Wanda Wahlund, Kathie Aoki, Gladys Hartman, Sherrill Adams, Mimi Mace, Charity McAllister, Jean Avant, and Mary Hall.

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes: First and seconded by Cheryl Pekar and Jean Avant, respectively. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Handout of balance sheet provided. Wanda purchased checks from Costco for \$40/600 vs \$79 at CCCU.

Officer's Reports

1st Vice President: Dec – Annual holiday potluck with charity being *Food4People*. REQG members to provide nonperishable food items and/or money donations. Attendees are encouraged to bring handmade/homemade items for selling for \$1 to \$10 and all monies collected going to Food4People. Examples of gift boxes and bags presented. Tables will be set up with table covers and centerpieces and attendees to bring own table settings. Anna will be sure to have extra plates. Special guest, Harriet Pecot from Food4People will be present and REQG member Gail Hamilton will be her host.

January will be Challenge Quilt program.

Recognition of Anna and Amy Gomes, with help from Kathie Aoki, for cleaning and organizing hospitality cabinet.

2nd Vice President: Merrilyn Scott was national speaker and instructor for two classes in November. Classes were well attended and Susie reports there were a number of 20-something women present. Attendees seemed to have a good time though the instructor was not very clear with instructions and the pattern was poorly put together. The Eureka Women's Club was very reasonable and doable space and will reserve for March classes.

March National speaker will be Jodi Barrows from Texas. *Square in a Square System*. Will teach two classes: Prairie Claw and Ohio Star. Amy will get samples of the projects to be shown at February meeting. It is recommended that Jodi arrive the day before the meeting in case there are any travel delays. Amy will look at the Red Lion Inn for reserving the hotel room for Jodi's stay from Wed through Sat. It is better located for general meeting and classes and near Ocean Wave Quilts in case last minute supplies are needed.

Secretary: Nothing to report

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report

Past President: Nothing to report.

Standing Committees

Community Liaison: Showed finished top from the November class and has made up some kits from the pattern. Will be bringing minimal tubs of CQ supplies for December meeting.

Librarian: Absent

Membership: Absent but sent report of November meeting – best attendance so far with 88 members, 3 business members, 1 business associate, 2 junior members, plus 10 guests totaling 104.

Total membership as of November is 145 members. 132 regular members, 8 businesses, 3 business associates and 2 junior members. Distribution went very well thanks to Membership helpers Jean Avant, Edith Harmer, and Pat Reeves.

Our goal for 2010-2011 is 200 members.

Mary Hall is working on a tri-fold brochure and passed around an example to view.

Discussion followed on distributing final brochure. Betty recommends having on website so members can print off their own to hand out to prospective members.

Susie also recommends there be special “guest” nametag so can easily recognize them and have a “big sister” for each guest to show around and sit with during the meeting.

Will place notice in newsletter for interested members to act as “big sisters.”

Newsletter: regnews@suddenlink.net is the email address. Has a request for a quarter-page ad from nonmember, which was okayed by board.

Publicity: As noted above Mary is working on a tri-fold brochure. Cost reviewed. \$39/100 with single side of color vs \$56/100 for double side color. Price quote from Central Office where we have an account. Susie recommends purchasing Lucite stands for brochures distributed to businesses.

Quilt Show 2011: Next meeting will be Monday, November 15, 6pm at Humboldt Area Foundation off Indianola Rd. She shared selling three books of tickets for the Opportunity Quilt at a recent Kiwanis dinner.

Special Committees

Block of the Month: Nothing to report

Challenge: Quilts due Dec 15. List of places to drop off will be posted again in this month's newsletter.

Doll Quilts: Nothing to report

Fat Quarter Raffle: Gerry's bags were great.

Historian: Nothing to report

Hospitality: Doing well with the new use of tables. Will need three for food and two for dessert at the December meeting.

Premie Quilts: Nothing to report

Raffle Table: Kathie reports \$175 made at November meeting. Tying ribbon on stacks of magazines and pamphlets is helpful.

Show and Tell: Positive comments from the board and members with hanging up quilts and placing name cards on work. Mimi and Charity report requiring heavier clamps since the current ones break easily. Discussion followed concerning clamp options.

Sunshine: Nothing to report.

HAF: Nancy Ingram has replaced Donna Hauser. Edith has one year left. There is also to be a non-member with fiber arts background.

Old Business

Bank Account Changes: Susie (President), Wanda (Treasurer), and Anne (Secretary) have changed over REQG account to Coast Central Credit Union. Susie has closed out the account at Umpqua.

National Quilting Day: March 18 (5 – 10 pm), 19 (9 – 9), and 20 (9 – 5). Will be at the Women's Club in Eureka on J Street. Limit is 50 people for each day. Two persons per table. It is not a fundraiser so the \$25 fee is to cover costs. Any monies made will go towards supplies for speakers' classes.

A "passport" is available for \$25. If a person cannot use their passport for any of the days can "share" it with someone else but it is their responsibility and will not be held for them at the door. Cheryl is looking at getting lanyards for the passports. The board prefers printed, non-breakaway ones with REQG on them, green with black lettering. Any left over ones to be sold at meetings or Quilt Show.

Senior Center hangings: Helen sent report to Susie on still having issues dealing with maintenance department at the Center.

New Business

Memorial for Mary Ann Spencer – A \$25 memoriam to HAF motion made by Jean Avant and seconded by Mary Hall. Passed.

Ray and Nola Flynn have been very helpful with hanging quilts at the blood bank. A notice will be placed in newsletter requesting volunteers for this bi-annual event.

New quilt racks are being made by Redwood Acres Fairgrounds for the Turf Room and REQG will be able to use them for the Quilt Show.

There will be no board meeting in December.

Adjournment: 8:21 p.m.