

Redwood Empire Quilter's Guild
Board Meeting
September 13, 2010

Meeting called to order @ 6:30 pm at Susie Freese home.

Present: Susie Freese, Betty Hendrickson, Cheryl Pekar, Amy Gomes, Anne Carlisle, Wanda Wahlund, Maggie Stimson, Kathie Aoki, Gladys Hartman, Jeannie Buerer, Charity McAllister, Mimi Mace, Edith Harmer, Diane May, Sherrill Adams, and Nancy Frost.

Correspondence – Wanda reports one more vendor, “Pincushion Boutique,” contacted her for the Quilt Show.

Officers' Reports:

1st VP: Cheryl reviewed the events planned for this year's meetings. Oct- Scavenger Hunt with some surprises; Nov – National Speaker; Dec- Potluck and request from Foster Parents organization to do a presentation; Jan – Challenge Quilt; Feb - Basket auction; Mar – Nat'l Speaker; Apr - Open to ideas; May - Quilt Show meeting. June – End of the year potluck.

The website has had over 300 individual hits per month.

2nd VP – Amy requests ideas for space rentals for classes. Reviewed national speakers scheduled to come in Nov and March and discussion followed concerning travel expenses, such as lodging, which is arranged by REQG. Members who host a speaker get the class free.

The class for Nov will be two different classes: on 11/5 (Fri) will be the flowers quilt class, and 11/6 will be the blocks class. Cost is \$30/member. Those wanting to take a class should send a SASE with \$30 payment to Amy Gomes. Supplies list will then be sent back in the provided SASE. Class size is limited.

Treasurer: Handout

Secretary: Minutes from July meeting approved as written.

Parliamentarian: No report

Past President: No report

Standing Committees

Community Liaison: Sherrill reports a “Strip Club” is planned for Sunday Sept 26 and Oct 17 at Ocean Wave Quilts in Eureka from 10-4pm. Still have kits available at community quilts table. Discussion followed concerning Accu-cut machine available for use by REQG members to use for Community Quilts. Maggie has a strip cutter she can bring to see if Sherrill can use for CQ.

Library: No report

Membership: Maggie reports two members brought two new members. Have 91 members: four new; four businesses; one Jr; one business associate. Membership applications had over 70% voting yes for electronic only newsletter, which will start in November. Will confirm the email address used. Correction to deposit for additional \$25. Request for a “pre-owned” laptop for membership to utilize.

Newsletter: No report

Publicity: No report

Quilt Show: Betty introduced Jeannie Buerer as the chair for the Opportunity Quilt ticket sales. Betty will be going to Sentinel Winery for the “Taste of Willow Creek”

event on Sunday to show and sell tickets. Discussion followed concerning having postcards about OQ and raffle tickets. Wanda Wahlund will order. To have photo of OQ on front and copyright, name of OQ, dates of Quilt Show etc. Jeannie announces that Dottie Lewis is secretary for show and is co-chair for OQ and has a committee ready to go.

Special Committees

Block of the Month: No report

Challenge: Diane is working on getting prizes together and categories. Has a budget of \$100. Will be contacting businesses for gift certificates etc. Discussion followed concerning having quilts be turned in at December meeting and committee will hang them for January meeting vs accepting quilts at various quilt shops or can drop off at Susie's home vs all bring to Jan mtg, which can be hectic and may limit showing opportunities. Diane will announce at next general meeting how it will go.

Doll Quilts: No reports

Fat Quarter Raffle: No reports

Historian: No report

Hospitality: Requests two tables so can have food out away from kitchen counter and will improve flow.

Premie Quilts: Nancy reports had 84 quilts allowing for 28 quilts to each of the three local hospitals to be distributed. Discussion followed about labeling all quilts donated. Rubber stamp would make it easier to label. Sherrill recommends two stamps, one large, one small using the Heart of the Redwoods logo. Discussion tabled until have cost and design presented at next board meeting.

Raffle Table: Brought in \$135. Kathie reports has a Necchi sewing machine to put up for raffle and will have drawing at December meeting. Cheryl donated an embellished wall hanging/table runner for raffle.

Show and Tell: Mimi and Charity plan to continue to set up tables in front for smaller items and quilt stands around the room so quilts can be viewed at the general meetings vs trying to hold up quilts during S&T.

Sunshine: MaryAnn Spencer fell in July. Has been transferred to Grass Valley to be close to family.

HAF: Edith has given 25 guild names to HAF so can get info out about Northern California and Southern Oregon guilds. Application for grant now includes textile arts. HAF made a suggestion to give more to single projects vs on-going projects. The board feels this is a decision for REQG and not HAF. Every year candidates vary so no set policy of who should be considered should be in place, only that winners need to be held accountable for what they use the monies for, present to REQG general meeting by June, and return any unused monies.

Old Business

Officers Notebooks: Cheryl handed out notebooks to all present. Susie reminds to keep all info collected during ones term in notebook. This will also help with transition of officers each term.

Senior Center Quilt Hangings: Helen Saunders is preparing to hang quilts for "permanent" expose'. Requesting a curtain rod for larger quilt.

Liability Insurance: \$632/yr and is already budgeted for. Motion made by Sherrill and seconded by Maggie. Passed.

Bank Account Changes: Susie announced that only President (Susie Freese), Treasurer (Wanda Wahlund), and Secretary (Anne Carlisle) are to be on signature card for new account at Coast Central Credit Union. Need a 501(3)(C) form for nonprofit status.

New Business

National Quilting Day: March 2011, 18, 19, 20 (Fri, Sat, Sun). Cheryl presents a *Sewing Marathon* to celebrate this “day.” It will be at Redwood Acres. There will be “floaters” available for mentoring. Market Place, door prizes, games, demos...all on the planning table!

Other: Susie announced there is a “new notion” out. A ruler that sharpens a rotary cutter as it is used. She will look for it at Market next month.

Adjournment: 8:45pm. Next board meeting will be Monday, Oct 11, 6:30 at Susie’s home.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Carlisle

REQG Secretary

Corrected and approved 10/11/2010