

REQG Board Minutes
February 7, 2011
1502 D Street
6:30 p.m.

Call To Order: Susie called meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were: Susie Freese, Cheryl Pekar, Amy Gomes, Anne Carlisle, Wanda Wahlund, Gladys Hartman, Sherrill Adams, Charlotte Viredaz, Maggie Stimson, Mary Hall, Betty Hendrickson, Nancy Frost, Mimi Mace, and Charity McAllister.

Correspondence: Thank you note from Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Center (HCTAYC) for the two quilts.

Approval Of Minutes: Approved as submitted. Maggie Stimson and Charlotte Viredaz, first and seconded respectfully. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: The two year Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual and Balance Sheet were handed out. Discussion followed.

Officer's Reports

1st Vice President: The Basket Auction brought in \$2581. \$485 was from the Community Quilts/Mary Ann Spencer's estate. Cheryl proposes to give that monies to Community Quilts. Discussion followed concerning the best use of those extra monies. Sherrill feels is the biggest expense for CQ is batting, however, there is enough money in the budget to cover such expenses. Susie proposes looking in to getting a commercial grade Accucut machine. There is one currently with a substantial price break. It is a larger machine, (25"x30"x8" and weighs 34#). Mimi offered to house the unit. Will discuss more under New Business.

March is a National Speaker.

An idea for April meeting: Susie will do a presentation of quilt block names, their history and design. Discussion followed about making it a PowerPoint Presentation and getting access to a projector. Unresolved.

May meeting is dedicated to the Quilt Show so Betty will head that one. There will be nominations for new officers (1st VP, Secretary and Parliamentarian).

June is the final one of the year and will be a potluck. Sherrill recommends having Red Cross come speak. Part of the program will be for the HAF grant recipients to present their projects. Also elections are slated for the meeting.

2nd Vice President: Amy reports there is still some room for classes in March. The venue has been moved to Home Ec building at Redwood Acres. The

speaker and instructor is Jodi Barrows. Nancy Frost will be picking up Jodi from the airport on Wed and providing housing. Discussion followed on "tour" ideas to make the most out of Jodi's stay while here in our beautiful and diverse area. Amy attended the Northern California Quilters conference in Concord, and got some good ideas for possible speakers and programs. Discussion followed. There is a web site available for \$15/yr that lists all info on speakers and their fees, etc. It is by Ami Simms @ aliciasattic.com. Marci Baker was another speaker discussed. Board recommends to use funds in 2nd VP budget to access this info.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Past President: Nothing to report.

Standing Committees

Community Liaison: Sherrill reports got some very nice fabric from Mary Ann Spencer's estate. Needs pigment ink for labeling quilts. Informed can get it from Eureka Printing. Discussion followed re: stamp sizes that need to be ordered. Currently have five small quilts, five adult size quilts. Eight donated to Red Cross last week.

Librarian: Charlotte is planning a book sale at the May general meeting. Currently have 73 textbooks to sell. Gladys notes it is good to have a copy of any Speakers' books. Susie notes we do buy them if the speaker does not donate one.

Membership: Have 141 regular members, eight businesses, three business associates, two jr. associates. Have four new members. Discussion followed on membership dues: new members now are \$15 (for half year), any previous member would still be \$25 but problem for Maggie is knowing who is a previous member. Discussion followed concerning if there should be a time limit on being a previous member or not (three, five or indefinite). No final decision occurred.

Newsletter: Guest fees need to be corrected. They should be listed as \$5 for special meetings, a.k.a. those with a national speaker/presenter.

Publicity: North Coast Journal on website. Mary will put article in Times-Standard on March classes.

Quilt Show 2011: Betty shared some miniature quilts as ideas to make for The Quilt Show's market place. Betty is requesting a cash register. Next QS meeting

is Monday, Feb 14 at 6 pm @ Humboldt Area Foundation.

Special Committees

Block of the Month: No report

Challenge: Impressive selection of quilts presented at the January meeting.

Doll Quilts: No report

Fat Quarter Raffle: No report. Board members recommend reminder of the monthly theme be listed in the newsletter. Susie will follow up on this.

Historian: No report

Hospitality: Not so great participation by members in bringing snacks. Will place reminder in newsletter.

Preemie Quilts: Nancy donated three last month.

Raffle Table: No report

Show and Tell: Mimi and Charity report need more quilt racks since have four no longer functioning. A new rack costs \$200. Cheryl will check on getting replacement parts.

Sunshine: Lynn Todoroff's daughter, Cherril, passed away recently.

HAF: No report

Old Business

Plaza Design: Maggie reports that so far the consignment program is working well and, although the Old Town store has closed and is relocating, all products were distributed to the other stores.

Humboldt County Fair: Susie read the response letter she received addressing our concerns. Since all concerns were addressed the board recommends encouraging members to submit items to the County Fair this year and see what happens. HCF also mentioned premiums (monetary awards) and request we consider sponsoring in 2011. Discussion followed that REQG has not paid premiums at HCF but only at Redwood Acres Fair. The awards have been new memberships only and will remain that way.

National Quilting Day: Reminder that this is scheduled for Mar 18, 19 and 20 and will be held at the Eureka Women's Club. There are only five openings left. Susie is buying door prizes at Market. Dinner on Friday night will be provided by Guild, all other meals/snacks are the responsibility of the participants.

New Business

Acuquilt Machine Rental - Discussion followed on selling current Acuquilt and placing those monies towards purchasing of commercial grade machine, which gives more accurate cuts. A motion was made to sell current machine. Anne and Sherrill, first and seconded, motion passed. A motion was then made to purchase a new commercial grade machine. Mimi, and Anne, first and seconded, motion passed. Amy okayed to have shipped to Pacific Paper to avoid shipping charges. Will also buy 5 inch square, 2 1/2 inch and 3 1/2 inch strip dies,

HAF Memorials: Have two: Cherril Todoroff and Marilyn Kerr. A motion was made to donate for each a \$25 to HAF in memoriam. Nancy and Amy, first and seconded, motion passed.

Adjournment: Susie adjourned the meeting at 8:37 pm.