

Coastal Quilters Guild

Board Meeting, September 15, 1999

The meeting, held at the home of Judy Stanton, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Vice-President Ellen Richardson, in Ranell's absence. Present were Ellen Richardson, Betty Kelley, Judy Stanton, Karin Cooper, Suzy Carter, Harlene Bailey, Beth Jones, Joyce Ball, and Leslie Hogan.

Harlene Bailey moved and Judy Stanton seconded approving the minutes from the previous meeting as read. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Community Quilts: For the year 2000, Suzy Carter reported that Samarkand will need 100% polyester quilts, due to the wear and tear of frequent washing in hot water. Betty Kelley remarked that according to Harriet Burke, cotton quilts washed 4 - 5x/week last about a month; polyester doubleknit can last years under the same conditions. Karin Cooper suggested making an amazingly gorgeous wall-hanging instead; according to Suzy, there's no place to hang it. The discussion of polyester vs. cotton was inconclusive. Suzy reports also that Samarkand has received many thank-you notes.

Door Prizes: Ellen relayed that Liz Harper and Marie Voiles are taking over for Debbie Sayers.

Library: There is a volunteer to serve as assistant next year.

Quilt Show 2000: Leslie Hogan reported that the best date for the show, based on the availability of Earl Warren and the timing of other quilt shows is October 14 - 15. Other points established during discussion:

The guild will again provide \$4000 seed money for the show.

A separate account will be established. Judy Stanton agreed to act as treasurer for the show; Leslie's name will also be on the checks.

Approximately 1773 people attended the last show.

The vendor mailing will go out by the end of September.

Other discussion concerned ordering pins for the show; or mugs. Joyce remarked that, in her experience with other guilds, pins are not a great idea--more trouble than they're worth.

Ellen's reports continue:

Group of the Month: In November, the "Sew What's" will have a display; in December, Leslie Hogan will feature some family quilts.

Christmas Boutique: Plans progressing. Will take place December 4 from 10 AM to 5 PM. We may be able to borrow quilt racks from Solvang.

Marlene Peerson has no new news on the chalk art thing next year.

Ellen would like to re-establish the guild's web-page. She said she lacks experience but that her sister is a professional. Discussion followed--consensus was that its purpose should be to educate and attract new members; minutes should NOT be posted. There was some question as to its cost and what ISP we'd use.

Ranell asked that the board consider the Doll Group's appropriateness to the guild. The consensus was that given that there is a tradition of doll-making among quilters, there's no problem, so long as they don't take up 10 minutes of show and tell at every single meeting.

The members of the guild must be reminded to watch for spills, messes, etc. at St. Andrews; there was some suggestion that food and drink not be allowed in the seating area. Gail Tensley's daughter and a friend have agreed to do the set-up and take-down each month. Harlene said she's reliable--and in any case, her mom will be right there. Problems that still need to be worked out at St. Andrews have to do with the spacing of the chairs (need more space), the best way to display the quilts, and the lighting for the quilts. The amplification system is bad; Suzy suggested using the one the guild has in storage. We also need fans or need to open more doors, for better ventilation. Joyce Ball remarked she'd like the library set up on 2 long tables rather than the round ones, which were used because they're on wheels and easy to move. In the course of the discussion, Betty reminded the board we're required to keep an accurate count of attendance at each meeting.

Newsletter: Betty reported for Claire. Should the board roster go into the October newsletter, for the November election? Consensus: announce in October; Print in November; vote in November. Should feature groups get a write-up in the newsletter? Consensus: sure, so long as it's general.

New Members Reception: Beth Jones--we've about 50 new members; there won't be time to introduce them individually. Discussion of having a separate event next year, rather than cramming it into an already full meeting. Harlene says she really enjoys calling the new members.

Workshops: Karin Cooper--November (Joen Wolfram) almost filled. Those who have not paid will lose their places in the workshop. Some discussion of the effectiveness of Priska Anaheim's workshop; Ellen will e-mail her to suggest a handout would be useful.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Hogan

