

Coastal Quilters Guild Board Meeting
Maravilla May 21, 2015

Bonnie Epperson called the meeting to order shortly after 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: Bonnie Epperson, Bonnie Barber, Julie Mock, Shirley Morrison, Marian Jones, Barb Postma, Barbara MacCallum, Sue Kadner, Becky Gallup, Carol Barringer and Rosana Swing.

The minutes of the May 14 General Meeting were reviewed. The spelling of Valeri Cattoi's name was corrected. Sue K moved to accept the minutes. Barb P. seconded and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: In the absence of Toni Percival, Sue Kadner presented the Profit and Loss statement from July 2014 through April 2015. She mentioned that all reimbursement claims for this fiscal year should be submitted to Toni by the June Guild meeting and the checks cashed by June 25. She clarified the Community Quilts restricted income, noting that it was donated for specific items and therefore was not available as a Community Quilts budget allotment. Sue noted that the raffle tickets for the Opportunity Quilt had been handed out to all members attending the May meeting. No money was collected at that time. However some members wanted to pay the full amount and hand in the stubs later.

*See membership notes below for Member Donation discussion.

Committee Reports

Opportunity Quilt: Sue Kadner and Carol Fay were congratulated by Bonnie E, Rosana and other members of the Board for their part in making the S.B. Expo a success. With short notice, they solicited and organized 16 volunteers, set up tables, showed the Opportunity Quilt and collected over \$450 in Opportunity Quilt tickets. The Quilt will go to Lompoc Quilt Guild meeting Thursday May 28th, Roxanne's for the Quilt Run end o' May, Fiddlers convention in October and at this time there are no plans to take it to 7 sisters show at the Madonna Inn convention center in San Luis Obispo.

Community Quilts: Marian reported that there are 108 cradle kits finished with a 64 still needed. Twenty-one quilts have gone to Visiting Nurse and Hospice. Flyers have also been distributed there for the *Sew for Veterans* event. A question arose about the need to have the cradle kits in by June. Many of the kit patterns are not appropriate for use in painting the designs on the cradles themselves, so the finished kits have to be in early enough to help the painters make that decision. By next January the Chair of Community Quilts will decide on whether to continue supplying the cradle bedding. Some members have voiced the need to support other agencies needing the help of the Guild's quilting gifts.

Programs: Bonnie Barber, Julie and the Board discussed plans for the July potluck. It was decided the Board would supply the desserts (Bonnie will order from Costco, Board will reimburse) and the members would do the rest of the potluck. Bonnie B will send out the proper announcement to members. Greatful Threads will do the décor, Becky will set up tables, round for dining, rectangular for all else. Possible craft related to

Rami Kim workshop—need fabric and pins (maybe one sewing machine). There will be a short business meeting, Show & Tell, Opportunity Quilt purchase. There will be no Treasure table, Door Prizes or Community Quilt distributions. The library will only be open for returns. Bonnie and Julie seemed to have all details accounted for. The 28 new members will get a special invite and a gift of some kind.

Workshops: Barbara M noted the Rami Kim workshop went well, with 20 people attending. All had enjoyed her lecture/trunk show. Shirley and Barb P had attended the workshop and both liked it. Because this is usually a 2 day workshop, Rami set a good pace and her explanations kept all moving along briskly. August will be Bobbi Porter. See below for *Sew for Veterans* information.

Library: There will be a Book Sale at the July Meeting. Sue K noted that she had ordered the temporary sales permit from the California State Board of Equalization for the book sale. Bonnie B noted that the website is current with all books cataloged by author, title and subject.

*Membership: A total of 40 members have renewed, 35 at the last meeting. There were 18 members who made the additional donation that night. Members may make donations at any time during the year. The Board discussed the need for a half-sheet donation form for members who have paid their annual dues, but had not yet paid the suggested additional donation.

Door prizes: Barb P reminded Board there would be no door prizes in July and August. However new member door prizes will be prepared for the July Meeting. Barb has finished all the pre-cuts she needs for Door Prizes through December. Atta girl!

Challenge: Darilyn and Co. have a received 30 challenge quilts. She may need additional help next month as Debbi Haeberle will still be recovering from recent surgery.

Publicity: Rosana was pleased the Opportunity Quilt had it's debut at the Expo and complimented Sue and Carol F for their quick action to make it happen. She noted a Road to California Challenge which she'll put in the newsletter. Too late for this year, a grant could possibly be written to the City for supporting Non-Profits who enhance the arts. Shirley volunteered to contact the Public Library at Central and at Goleta to reserve a library window display in September or August 2016 for the 2016 Quilt Show. The reservation has to be in on July 1, 2015.

Old Business

Veteran Quilts status: Carol B reported on *Sew for Veterans* plans. There are 26 people who have signed up to be there. There will be a number of design walls, a design team or teams, kits all or partially made to assemble, string piecing and crazy stars available and to create. There are notebooks with ideas for use by participants. There will be many tasks for people to do, some needing a sewing machine and some not. Barb volunteered to be the head up the stash management team as the "stash sergeant", a key position.

Business cards: Each member attending last Guild meeting have received a number of Coastal Quilters Guild Business Cards. All were encouraged to carry them and hand them out to interested people. The cards contain valuable contact information about the guild—email, website, mail address and guild meeting time and location.

Election of officers: The board meeting for on June 18th will be at Bonnie Epperson's home. Bonnie will send out an invitation and directions. During this transition period Board members will share ideas and procedures with incoming Board.

Expo and Fair: Consensus was the Fair was good for exposure. Need to plan in advance so it will not be a surprise. In future put the date on the future Quilt Guild Calendar of Events.

Additional Donations: As per the results of the survey, a discussion arose over the suggested donation that appears on the new Membership Application. Bonnie Barber moved to create an additional member donation to help fund the Guild; \$25 as the suggested amount. This additional donation will offset the need for further fund raisers. Julie Mock seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion passed.

Survey update: Out of a membership of 234, 137 returned the survey. Of the 25 members who get the hard-copy newsletter, 15 did not get the survey. There will be a detailed summary of the survey findings in the Newsletter. After analysis of the questions and findings, it would behoove the board to act on recommendations mandated by the survey.

New Business:

Donations coordinator: After a discussion it was decided that the Treasurer, Membership Coordinator and Corresponding Secretary could work out a procedure so there is no need for a separate individual to be a coordinator. All monies can be accounted for separately in quickbooks. Those donating will be thanked.

S.B. Basketball Court of Champions: After the Expo, the Guild received a request for a donated quilt to be used as a fund raiser for the S.B. Basketball Court of Champions, which supports all three high schools. One of the Guild's 3 available Opportunity Quilts fall into the category of "Education Quilt". This exposure at the May 31st event will give the Guild needed publicity. Bonnie Barber moved that the guild donate the Education Quilt to the S.B. Basketball Court of Champions in return for publicity and acknowledgement. Julie Mock seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Macy's Day Opportunity: After discussion it was decided the Guild would not participate in the Macy's Day of Giving in August. It involves selling coupons for \$5 apiece to be used at Macys for a percentage off at Macy's. The non-profit, gets to keep all the monies collected by selling the Macy's coupons.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Morrison, Recording Secretary
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