

Coastal Quilters Guild Board meeting
Minutes
July 21, 2016

6:30 PM President Linda Boynton De Sepulveda called the meeting to order.

Quorum:

Quorum is present.

Members present: Linda Boynton De Sepulveda, Carol Barringer, Linda Bird, Margaret Dear, Bonnie Epperson, Mary Maxwell, Shirley Morrison, Sue Orfila, Francine Smith, Irelle Beatie, Elizabeth Jenquin, Darilyn Kisch, Carole Kennedy

Approval of Minutes: Carole Kennedy

- The June 2016 general meeting minutes and the June 2016 board meeting minutes were approved. MSC: Maxwell/Epperson
- Business conducted outside of scheduled meeting per e-mail.

Motion: To give workshop certificates to former board members as listed.

They are Bonnie Epperson, Julie Mock, Shirley Morrison, Suzy Pelovsky, Barbara MacCallum, Edalee Keehn, Patti Hunter, Mary Ringer, Sue Kadner, Becky Gallup, and Rosana Swing. Discussion per e-mail. MSC: Bird/Kennedy

Officer Reports:

Treasurer: Margaret Dear

- The details of the balance sheet were discussed.
- Restricted funds and unrestricted net assets were discussed as a problem. These appear in the balance sheet but do not actually exist. This is an issue with Quickbooks and not the guild's money accounts. It was suggested that Margaret consult with an accountant or Quickbooks expert to solve the problem.
- Balance sheet, profit and loss report, and 2015-2016 budget were discussed. The 2015-2016 budget report was approved. MSC: Barringer/Epperson
- Linda led discussion of the 2016-2017 draft budget.

Linda requests that committees review needs for expenses as well as opportunities for grants and other income and to be prepared to give feedback at the next meeting. If members can identify where resources can be found, Linda can write the grant.

Membership: Bonnie Epperson

- There are currently 147 members.
- Bonnie will create a job description with roles and responsibilities for the Membership Chairperson as none exists now.
- There was a discussion about how to make new members feel more welcome.

Darilyn Kisch reports that she held 2 coffee/tea get togethers for new members with positive feedback from the attendees.

- It was suggested that new members wear a brightly colored name tag so that they can be easily identified and greeted.

Parliamentarian: Sue Orfila

The board positions of Refreshments & Opportunity Quilt Raffle Chairpersons are still vacant. There will be no refreshments at the general meetings until the Refreshment Committee Chair has been filled.

Public relations:

- It was noted that the new brochure has been printed and circulated. The feedback has been very positive.
- Linda discussed opportunities for Quilt Guild participation in the community such as the Santa Barbara Fair, the Mid State Fair, and I Madonnari.

Committee reports

Programs:

It was noted that programs have been scheduled through June, 2017.

Workshops: Francine Smith:

- Workshops cannot be scheduled after June 2017 at this point in time due to administrative changes at the Goleta Community Center. There is a possibility that the workshops will need a new location.

Speaker Liaison: No report.

Quilt Show: Irelle Beatie

- Irelle discussed the quilt show budget. She reports that at this point in time the budget looks “dismal”. To remedy this problem, more attendees are needed and quilt guild members need to buy more tickets.
- Charges to vendors are comparable to other quilt shows in the area so they cannot be increased.
- The education component of the show was discussed. Specifically discussed was the type of blocks that can and should be made at the education booth. Several suggestions were put forth for Irelle to take back to her committee.
- There is a need for more volunteers to assist with the show.
- It was suggested that the SQUARE be used at meetings so that members could charge tickets with the goal of boosting ticket sales.

Block of the Month:

It is noted that Marty Frolli has organized the blocks for the next 12 months.

Challenge: No report

Coast Lines Newsletter: No report

Community Quilts: Carol Barringer

- At the July meeting, 5 quilts and 34 cradle sets were accepted. There are now 75 cradle sets completed.
- It was reported in June that Community quilts spent over budget. This was an error.
- Carol received a packet of thank-you notes from children who received CALM project quilts. They are very grateful for the quilts and the letters are sweet and endearing. The board suggested that the letters be shared on the web site and in the newsletter.

Door prizes: Elizabeth Jenquin

- Elizabeth is weeding out and organizing boxes and supplies.
- Donations have been requested from vendors and all are donating something

Library: No report

Opportunity quilt: No report

Refreshments: No report

Satellite group: Darilyn Kisch

- No monies are needed in the budget for satellite groups.
- Darilyn had 2 new member coffee events last month.
- New satellite groups will soon be organized.

Webmaster: No report

Welcome /sunshine: No report

New Business:

SCCQG: Linda Boynton de Sepulveda

The July meeting was very good. Ninety-one guilds with large and small memberships ranging from 24 - 300 members/guild are members.

Our opportunity quilt can be posted on their website.

Other guilds report that credit capabilities have increased workshop signage.

Insurance and dues are due October 1, 2016. Rates are based on membership.

Old business:

Grant application: Sue Kadner: No report

Grade School Liaison: Bonnie Epperson

Last year a grade school teacher asked that the guild to come to a classroom to discuss quilting. Bonnie would like to ask that teacher's 2nd grade class to come to the

show with the goal of cultivating interest in attending the show. Issues of week-end attendance and chaperones were discussed.

Darilyn remembered that in the past the guild had a program which went into the schools and now may be the time to resurrect a similar program. This topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Special quilts

- **Unity Shop 100th anniversary quilt:** Bonnie Epperson

The quilt top is finished with 6 of 11 Unity Shop areas represented in red, yellow, and red/yellow print.

Pictures of the Unity Shop areas were laser printed onto fabric. Each piece is a square with areas represented and there is a star which is the anniversary symbol. It is being quilted by a Grateful Thread member. Bonnie will discuss with the satellite group about having it available for the September quilt show and report back to the board.

- **Parkinson's Association Quilt:** Merry Bobbins

A member makes a quilt every year. This year the Merry Bobbins volunteered to make the quilt and it has been completed.

New Business

- **Quilt stand mix-up:** Linda Boynton De Sepulveda

A member's stand got mixed up with guild's stands and this is currently being rectified.

Michael Hoeffin Foundation

This organization is a Santa Clarita non-profit whose proceeds benefit children's cancer.

They requested that the guild make a quilt for their fundraising raffle. Since there is no link to Santa Barbara county this request is denied. Bonnie Epperson states that the guild does not service outside of this county. Carol Barringer will send a letter to the organization declining the request.

Sources of Donations:

Linda asks that members think about what resources for donations are available, such as Chumash, Walmart, Target, Rotary Club, etc.

SQUARE:

Discussed charging tickets, workshop fees, and dues with the SQUARE at the meetings.

A process for keeping accounts separate would need to be devised.

SMILE and AMAZON links:

Linda will ask Sue Kadner and Bonnie Barber for clarification regarding which links to use on our website. Follow up on this item will be discussed at next board and general meeting.

30th Anniversary:

The guild's 30th anniversary is in 2018. Linda asked members to think about what we might do to celebrate this event.

Correspondence:

Bonnie Barber sent a gracious thank you note for the Honorarium gift.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Carole Kennedy

Recording Secretary