COASTAL QUILTERS BOARD MEETING: May 6, 1992

President Barbara Maxwell called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in her home office. Present were fourteen people: Barbara, Colby, Melody, Eve, Rob, Laura, Carol L., Cathy R., Suzy C., Zetta, Norah, Kathy D., Carol B., and Janet Berlin. Mail was handed out and the minutes of the last board meeting were read, amended, and approved. Barbara shared the pictures she had taken of all the wonderful opportunity quilts other guilds had on display at the recent S.C,Q.G. meeting.

Southern Ca. Council of Quilt Guilds

Barbara reported on the group's April meeting whose theme was Opportunity quilts. She showed our guild's copy of the Guilds Directory, which lists all the guilds in Southern California, their meeting places, meeting times, addresses, etc. She reminded us that one advantage to our members of this directory is being able to look up information easily about other guilds we may wish to visit or contact.

Barbara also brought back a few of the <u>new Quilt Shop Directories</u>, which list shops from all over the U.S. Cost is \$5. We will have a sign-up list for orders at the meeting next week (or members may send a check to C.Q.'s P.O. box).

The issue of who takes pictures at our meetings was raised. Nobody does this officially now that Zetta is no longer historian (it was never a formal requirement of that job). All agreed that Barbara should be paid for the pics she took at Council. It was also agreed that ALL committees should have a 3-ring binder containing information about their job and what they have done as their job.

At Council, lots of tickets were sold on the opportunity quilts there. There were also lots of IDEAS presented there:

Guilds should put their address on the back of the opportunity quilt in case the winner wants to sell it back to the guild! Some winners do.

We are the vonly guilds in Council that is NOT incorporated! Why do we need this? Because board members are personally liable for any accidents or injuries. The Council says that some members are even quitting guilds that are not incorporated because they think it's dangerous to run the risk of a lawsuit.

Carol Ludwick mentioned that her husband had just incorporated via mail through the state of Delaware; perhaps we could too. Laura Alarid will read up on incorporation and see if she can set up the paperwork. Laura will also fill out the IRS form we need to get a tax ID number as a non-profit organization and thus be allowed to draw interest on our bank account. Laura will also read the Council's By-Laws for incorporation.

Zetta moved and Laura seconded that we incorporate. Janet moved to amend this to read: We will investigate seriously the matter of incorporation. (ok). The vote carried..(Put a note in the newsletter to ask for help from anybody willing to work on incorporation. Is anybody a lawyer?)

The Council likes to give new members teas. Barbara feels we should do this again.

Some guilds have pot-luck meetings, where they meet and make quilts for charity. These smaller groups are chosen by birthdays as a way of encouraging people to get to know other members.

Some guilds give pins to members who show finished quilts at show and tell.

Some guilds sell tee shirts with logos; also tote bags (You need a 1-day sale permit for this). Ask at meeting if anyone is interested in handling this.

Announcements

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State Fair entires for Sacramento are due.

The L.A. County Museum of Art has sent us a list of quilt merchandise for sale.

We got a very nice thank-you card from Grant House.

The Santa Barbara County Fair is over. Congratulations to the following members who won prize ribbons there: Barbara Maxwell (4 ribbons!), Carol Boyce, Harriet Berk, and Marjorie Hall!

We have submitted the Museum Nature Quilt for the Pacific International Quilt Festival.

Programs

Norah listed our up-coming speakers: May - Judy Mathieson; June - presentation of our challenge; July - Hoffman Challenge quilts; August - Elinor Peace Bailey; September - June Ryker; October - Tina Gravatt; November - guild challenges due; December - Christmas party.

The question was raised: Do we have the money to pay for Tina Gravatt, who charges twice as much as our other speakers? We lost money on our Rachel Clark workshop. Should we raise our workshop fees?

Laura, our treasurer, reported that we have a current balance of approximately \$3000, including \$840 made at April's Silent Auction. The speakers as proposed would cost about \$2000. We need to have \$1000 to carry over for 1993. After discussion, it was agreed that we cancel Tina Gravatt as she is too expensive.

Concerning fees for workshops: Our present stated policy is that if you're NOT a member of the guild, the workshop fee is double! Thus, most guests simply join the guild. Jan had sent a note asking that we re-consider our fee policy. Discussion brought out that people feel all workshops should pay for themselves. Others felt that some would carry the others. Some felt our workshop fee should be raised to \$30.

Cathy R. moved and Suzy seconded that we lower the non-members' fee for workshops enough to be an additional \$15, but that other workshop people must pay enough to pay for the workshop. This motion was passed as an advisory (and only an advisory) to Jan.

Melody Bollay will be doing an applique workshop for the guild IF enough people sign up for it.

Miscellaneous

The newsletter will recap the House block. We will sell tickets on the House quilt for two months. NO, people who turn in a block do NOT get a free ticket.

Set-up for next week's meeting: Judy needs 4 stands, a projector, and P.A. System

The telephone committee will remind people that Judy Mathieson is our speaker and that the Gingher scissors need to be picked up.

Yes, we did write to That Patchwork Place to qualify for their free books.

The drawing for the applique Opportunity Quilt is set for October; ticket sales start in July.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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