

Quilters Guild of Dallas, Inc.

Minutes from Board Meeting

February 23, 2021

Held via Zoom. In attendance: Shelly Goodwyn, President; Melanie Reimann, 1st VP - Community Service; Linda Bartley, 2nd VP - Membership; Nancy Netherland, Kathy Bonnett 3rd VP – Programs and Workshops; Concetta Boscardin, 5th VP – Finance; Lut Demeulder, 6th VP – Show; Marcia Wood, 7th VP – Education; Christina Vilmar, Secretary; Laura McClure, Guild Treasurer, and Kelly Edwards, Guild member, were present. Shelly called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 pm.

The minutes of the board meeting held on January 26, 2021, were reviewed. Linda Bartley moved that the minutes be approved as presented and Lut Demeulder seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business:

Kelly Edwards reviewed a proposal to allow sponsors to give a presentation before the Guild General Meetings. The plan is to start with Platinum Sponsors, then Silver, etc. Lut Demeulder moved and Concetta Boscardin seconded. They may also add slides or short videos from sponsors on the Show's Facebook page, which Lut manages. The motion was approved unanimously.

Concetta Boscardin explained that she and Bonnie Ambrose suggest starting an ad hoc exploratory committee to evaluate creating and formulating the structure of a standing technology committee for the Guild. There are numerous technological platforms and software that the Guild uses, but it is unclear who is in charge of each piece of technology, which has led to fragmentation and disruption of knowledge transfers when people change roles. Some issues that need to be addressed include: How should the online products we purchase (ie. Dropbox, Zoom, website) be managed, and where does the responsibility lie? And, should the Guild have a Google Drive to manage documents? Dropbox is currently document storage used by the Guild, but issues regarding storage and lack of guidelines around usage need to be resolved. Similarly, the Guild's Constant Contact has lists created in the past, but due to lack of guidance and procedures, it is unclear if the lists are all valid and needed. A \$75/year membership fee to the non-profit agency, Tech Soup, may be beneficial for the Guild because of the product and software discounts they offer, especially when bundled. A budget to help plan for the Guild's technology needs should be created. Having a standing committee with a chair that does not have to rotate off every few years and reports to the Communications Board Member might be a solution for comprehensive technology management. Concetta, Bonnie, Kelly Edwards, and possibly 1-2 others will start an ad hoc committee to explore creating a Guild standing technology committee and formulate the structure in concert with the Bylaws. At the next General Meeting they will announce they are looking for technologically inclined members, and may reach out to the other members that attended the website training.

Old Business:

Shelly Goodwyn is taking 6 Keeper Quilts to start the appraisal process this week.

Committee Reports:

Melanie Reimann reported that Saturday, February 27 and March 27 are the next pickup/drop-offs scheduled from 10am - 12pm. The most recent collection was slower than previous ones, which may have been weather related. Concetta Boscardin reviewed the Guild's insurance policies and confirmed coverage extends to the pickup/drop-offs, which is also being sent to the shopping center. Melanie will confirm with Rhonda Anderson when they will start the next Covers for Kids challenge.

Linda Bartley reported the Guild currently has 262 members and 107 people are currently on the online directory. The Plano Quilt Guild uses a software wheel to choose door prize winners at their meetings that she is going to evaluate. For those that win a door prize, they will have the weekend to create their Directory profile in order to be mailed their prize if they haven't already. Linda made a list of door prize donors and when prizes were donated to be able to accurately track donations. She is contacting stores we haven't had door prizes from before, like What a Find in Mesquite. There has been good feedback on the draft for a swap event; contact Linda with further suggestions.

Nancy Netherland confirmed the March General Meeting will be Lisa Erlandson. Deborah Boschert will speak in April, with a workshop on April 10. In May we will have Jacqui Gering and she will do a two-day workshop. In June we will have Mary Kerr and she will do a workshop. In August we will have Pam Goggins and in September we will have Candace Hassen. Programs for

the rest of 2021 are planned with the exception of July because the speaker has cancelled. She will look into a social/learning event for July, possibly at the Arboretum.

Concetta Boscardin reported that she and Laura McClure filed the tax returns and issued all of the 1099s. She confirmed the Guild's insurance policies covers our outside swap event.

Lut Demeulder announced moving the Show committee meetings from the 3rd to the 2nd Tuesday of the month to avoid the loss of a November meeting due to the Thanksgiving holiday. She will start booking the Retreat Center for their meetings.

Marcia Wood reported at the next General meeting her Lesson of the Month will be about half square triangles. She and Bonnie are evaluating if it will be possible for her to play a video for her Lesson. She may do a series of Lessons on half square triangles and flying geese. One of the Keeper Quilts needs a minor repair of some of the beading embellishments. Lut and Melanie will coordinate with Shelly to attempt repairing it.

Shelly and adjourned the meeting at 7:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Vilmar

Guild Secretary