Minutes from Quilter's Guild of Dallas
General Meeting
November 4, 2024

The hybrid (both Zoom and in-person) meeting of the Quilter's Guild of Dallas was called to order by **Pat Henry, Guild President**, at 7:00 pm.

In recognition of this date being the 45th Anniversary of the founding of the Quilter's Guild of Dallas, **Pat Henry** began with a reading of the Guild Mission Statement: "The purpose of the Guild shall be to preserve the heritage of quilting, to be a source of information and inspiration, to perpetuate a high quality in quilting and related arts, and to be a gathering of people with a common interest." Through an annual Show, Endowment grants, monthly meetings, friendship groups and the community service outreach of Covers For Kids and tote bag projects the Guild continues to fulfill that founding purpose.

Pat recognized **Ruth Anderson**, a founding member as well as Past Presidents who were in attendance.

In connection with the upcoming 2025 Show in March a volunteer was solicited to be the "Leader of Fun"; **Kylie DeGilio** volunteered. She will work with **Linda Bartley, Show Chair**, to make the 2025 Show a memorable and fun event.

The October meeting minutes, as posted on the Guild website, were approved.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORTS:

Alice McElroy, VP of Education and **Show Committee/Raffle Quilt** advised that raffle ticket packets for each member are available for pick up from her.

The display of memorabilia from past Shows was on display in association with the 45th anniversary celebration; the monthly educational demonstration will return in December.

Melanie Reimann, VP of Community Service, reported that 45 Christmas quilts had been completed and will be delivered to the Ronald McDonald House.

There are a few Covers For Kids challenge quilt packets remaining for anyone who wants to take on the challenge. Entries are due at the February general meeting when they will be judged and prizes awarded. Challenge quilts will be on display at the 2025 Show in March.

Melanie put out a request for a volunteer with Excel spreadsheet experience; the job entails entering monthly volunteer hours on Excel so better records can be kept for accurate non-profit tax reporting purposes.

Nina Hall reported that 115 completed quilts had been turned in at this meeting. She also reminded members of the kits that are available for the ongoing tote bag project for Dallas Children's Advocacy Center; the tote bags are used by the kiddos to keep belongings together when they change locations.

Linda Bartley, Show Chair, reported that things are progressing on schedule for the 2025 Show. She urged members to consider making a mini-quilt donation for the mini-quilt auction.

Donna Petrick had zip-up hoodies with “Quilting Is My Super Power” (the 2025 Show’s theme) patches on them available for purchase.

Donna also advised that the Plano Guild has a featherweight maintenance workshop scheduled in February and urged anyone interested to check out time and date on the Plano Guild website.

Pat Henry put out a request for small gift bags that can be recycled for use in the Guild store at the 2025 Show.

Pat also reminded members that the cut-off for registration for the January 2025 retreat at Tanglewood is November 30, 2024.

Bring and Brag quilts and projects were shared followed by a break to enjoy a piece of the 45th Anniversary celebration cake which had been generously provided by **Kathryn Bernstein**.

At the end of the break time **Dana Ryan** introduced **Nina Clotfelder** who presented an interesting program entitled “THREAD – What’s The Big Deal?”

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Submitted by **Laurel Blackburn, Secretary**

Attendance: 73 in person
23 via Zoom