MQ Board of Directors Meeting

Date: March 20, 2012
Location: St. Lawrence Church, Minneapolis, MN

Board Members Attending:  Staff Attending:  Guests:
Wynn Martin  Linda Wines
Carol Fisher
Lou Roos
Laura Nagel
Mary Pozzin
Karen Kopitzke
Pat Curtner
Yvonne Curran
Char Wenger

Board Members Not Present:

Meeting called to order at 6:20 p.m.

Wynn passed around an attendance sheet asking for volunteer hours to be reported.

Show Director Report (Linda Wines).
A. Assistance for Doris at Show with money duties. Board will out.
B. Debra at the Show – how can we make good use of her time. Linda will make a recommendation regarding cost and suggestions of her time use.
C. Hotel attrition status – Hilton has removed the attrition rate; Kahler has empty rooms and will remove attrition if we agree to lose a comped suite, we add details to our website, we do a promotional e-mail and if we have our show in Rochester in 2016 we call the Kahler our “headquarters hotel” and hold the banquet there.

MOTION. Agree in principal what Kahler asked for. Mary Pozzini moved; Pat Curtner seconded; the motion carried.

D. Merchant Mall – 63 vendors; $24,000 in sponsorships; $91,700 vendor income.
E. Preparing for cancellations of classes/faculty. Book fewer teachers? Sliding fees?
G. Venues – send notes to Linda and group about the venues
H. Show pins – obtained approval from quilt designer to use design on show pins and put on our website.

Treasurer’s Report (position vacant)
A. Next month we will do more budget review.
B. Linda’s credit card limit is $5,000 (she is okay with that limit).

Secretary’s Report (Charlotte Wenger, Secretary).
A. January board minutes presented for approval.

MOTION. Pat Curtner moved; Yvonne Curran seconded to accept January minutes; the motion carried.
B. February board minutes presented for approval.

MOTION. Mary Pozzini moved; Pat Curtner seconded to accept February minutes; the motion carried.

**Education Director’s Report** (Laura Nagel and Lou Roos).

A. Kathryn Ross – Historian – no word about her yet.

B. Education Directors will list the rest of the year’s programs in the Show Book. Decided to have November meeting feature quilting for others.

**Communication Directors’ Report** (Karen Kopitzke and Pat Curtner).

A. Website replacement – Pat Curtner is researching.

**President’s Report** (Wynn Martin).

A. Employee Handbook. Wynn asked for volunteers to look it over.

B. Quilter of the Year for 2013 – we have received one nomination.

C. Outstanding Volunteer. No nominations were received from the membership. Board members made nominations. Doris Kraemer was voted in as Outstanding Volunteer for 2012. She will receive flowers, plaque and a gift card for $50.00 for the quilt shop of her choice.

**President Elect’s Report** (Wynn Martin).

Grants:

A. Clay County – Moorhead – requesting money for Quilt National in 2014. Wynn indicated that she told them to fill out the form and send it in for consideration.

B. Request – Discovery Center in Chisholm, Minnesota for a quilt show.

MOTION. Char Wenger moved to approve grant for $500; Yvonne seconded, the motion carried.

C. MADD requested silent auction donations for a golf event. We will put in the Newsletter under the Bulletin Board.

**Past President** (Yvonne Curran)

No report.

**Membership Director’s Report** (Carol Fisher).

A. Currently we have 703 active memberships.

B. 375 people attended in Eagan for the March membership meeting.

**Operation Directors’ Report** (Mary Pozzini)

A. Volunteer Recognition event prior to the April member meeting was discussed. Invitations have been sent out to the membership. The Board needs to be at the St. Lawrence Hall at 7:30 to set-up.

B. Building Hours – people need to call ahead to find out if someone will be in the office. Building is locked for security.
C. Textile Center Membership dues are due. $150.00 plus $1.00 per member for the library. We have over 3,000 pieces in the library that belong to MQ – about 1,000 are magazines.

**MOTION.** Char Wenger moved that we pay the membership fee of $150.00; Laura Nagel seconded, the motion carried.

D. Library discussion. Take library books out of the Textile Center and transition to the Church.

**MOTION.** Mary Pozzini moved to take the books out of the library; Laura seconded, the motion carried.

E. Purchase of new quilt stands.

**MOTION.** Carol Fisher moved that we purchase two new quilt stands; Laura seconded, the motion carried.

**New Business**

A. Mary Pozzini – Spring 2013 quilt retreat. She found the Oak Forest Center in Frederick, Wisconsin. For three nights the cost would be approximately $137.00 for 50 to 75 people. There was also discussion about having it in February or March. Laura will check on dates and ask for volunteers to chair the event.

B. Discussion regarding having a special board meeting to discuss MQ organizational needs and future vision. It was decided that we will have a meeting on May 5 after the member meeting.

C. Laura brought up the fact that we need holders and folders (we have trouble getting people to volunteer because everyone wants to see the quilts) and suggested that we pay students to do it for us? Lou Roos indicated she would contact Greg at the church

D. Faculty for Show? Education Directors feel that they should be involved in the teacher/class selection for show. Have Board approval of the slate of teachers?

E. Char indicated that we need Board approval for Wynn to sign a form from Smith Barney.

**MOTION.** Karen Kopitzke moved to have Wynn sign the form; Carol Fisher seconded; the motion carried.

**MOTION.** Laura Nagel moved to adjourn the meeting; Lou Roos seconded; the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Wenger
Secretary