Minnesota Quilters, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: July 22, 2014
Location: St. Lawrence Church, Minneapolis MN

Board Members Attending:
Kathie Simon Frank (Co-President)
Patty Von Arx (Co-President)
Kathy Faust (Treasurer)
Jill Schultz (Secretary)
Bonnie Ellis (President-Elect)
Laura Nagel (Past President)
Sharon Peterson (Education)
Kate Eelkema (Education)
Pat Curtner (Communications)
Anne McCandless (Membership)

Board Members Not Present: Kathy Brevig (Communications), Gail Hanson (Membership), June Kolodzieski and Kathleen Winters (Operations)

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Show Director (Linda Wines)
2014 Show Report (Linda Wines)
A. Linda reported that currently the 2014 quilt show will have a $114,000 profit.
B. The board discussed the Blue Diamond category, its pros and cons.
C. Linda will attend a national quilt show in 2015.
D. The board discussed if we can sell leftover merchandise on the website. Linda will look into shipping and handling and if this can be set up as a Cvent event; should we use a paypal account?

2015 Show Report (Laura Nagel)
A. There are a few openings for the 2015 show committee.
B. We already have many special exhibits committed for the show.

Secretary Report (Jill Schultz)
A. The June 24, 2014 Board Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Kate Eelkema moved to approve the June 24, 2014 meeting minutes as revised. Pat Curtner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report (Kathy Faust)
A. The board is making good progress towards a budget for 2015. More information is needed from Education and Operations.
B. Kathy Faust will have an organizational first draft completed by next month’s Finance Committee meeting.
C. Kathy presented the financials.
D. It was determined that CDs were safe to reinvest for one year.

Motion: Kathy Faust made a motion to reinvest the $75,000 that matured recently into a one year CD. Anne McCandless seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. Kathy suggested that the raffle quilt’s appraised value be promoted when tickets are being sold.
F. The board discussed raising the price of the raffle quilt tickets. The 2015 show committee will discuss and make a recommendation to the board.
G. The board discussed options for finding a Treasurer. The board may advertise for a Treasurer through the Minnesota Council of Non-Profits.

Operations
A. The Operations directors were not present for this board meeting.
Communications (Pat Curtner)
A. Pat reported that Kathy Brevig has 12 volunteers for taking in the quilts at the Minnesota State Fair.
B. Pat reported that the Cvent bill was for the second year of a 2 year price quote.
C. We have 1550 registrations to use each year. This year we used 1,003. We don’t need to buy another block at this time.

Education (Kate Eelkema and Sharon Peterson)
A. Kate and Sharon reported that a few Studio Tour tickets were sold at the July membership meetings.
B. Studio Tour tickets will be sold at Page Johnson’s studio and at the August meetings.
C. The board discussed advertising for the Studio Tours and confidentiality of the people showing their studios.
D. The bus has been ordered for the October Saturday meeting being held in Blue Earth.

Membership (Anne McCandless)
A. Nothing to report.

President-Elect (Bonnie Ellis)
A. Bonnie reported that we received a “thank you” from the Humane Society for pet beds donated by MQ.
B. MQ members will be able to go to the Quilt National exhibit, Hjemkomst Center, Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, Moorhead, Minnesota August 16-September 28, free of charge.
C. Bonnie will be meeting with Mary Pozzini who has some grant information.

Past-President (Laura Nagel)
A. Laura talked about the work accomplished by the Library Committee.
B. The committee will be ordering the book cart which will hold approximately 120 books.
C. The committee will check out books from The Textile Center on a quarterly basis.
D. MQ members will be able to sign up to volunteer with checking out and returning books each meeting.
E. We will take book donations.

Co-Presidents’ Report (Patty Von Arx and Kathie Simon Frank)
A. Kathie reported that she received an email from Audree Sells, our Quilter of the Year.
B. The Co-Presidents’ log cabin quilts will be donated to the Minnesota Visiting Nurses’ Association and to the ICU in Children’s Hospital.
C. The board discussed the Saturday meeting that was held in a different location and the challenges that presented.
D. The board was reminded that the turnover meeting will be Saturday, September 27, 2014 from 9-4.

Motion: Pat Curtner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kate Eelkema seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Schultz
Secretary