Minnesota Quilters, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: June 24, 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)
Kathy Brevig (Communications)
Pat Curtner (Communications)
Anne McCandless (Membership)
Gail Hanson (Membership)
Kathleen Winters (Operations)

Staff Attending:
Linda Wines

Guests:
Lou Roos

Board Members Not Present: Kate Eelkema (Education), June Kolodzieski (Operations)

The Finance Committee met before the Board meeting.

Meeting called to order at 6:21 p.m.

Treasurer’s Report (Kathy Faust)
A. The Financials were presented.
B. The cash handling at the quilt show was more efficient this year.
C. Next year we need 6 admission stations and more $1’s and $5’s.
D. Each board committee is to have its budget proposal ready by the July Finance Meeting.

Action Item: Each board committee is to have its budget proposal ready by the July Finance Meeting.

Secretory Report (Jill Schultz)
A. The May 27, 2014 Board Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Anne McCandless moved to approve the May 27, 2014 Meeting minutes as revised. Laura Nagel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. The Annual Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Bonnie Ellis moved to approve the Annual Meeting minutes as revised. Anne McCandless seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Show Director (Linda Wines)
2014 Show Report (Linda Wines)
A. We received many positive comments on the 2014 quilt show.
B. We won’t know until the end of June if the show was financially successful or not.
C. We have old merchandise left over. The board decided to donate to the Harriet Tubman shelter.
E. The Rochester expansion was approved and the site will likely be under construction in 2017-2018. Linda will talk to contacts from St. Cloud, Rochester and Duluth to possibly switch future years.

2015 Show Report (Laura Nagel)
A. There are some committee spots open.
B. Many people signed up again for the same committees as 2014.
C. A volunteer told someone that the same people volunteer every year so no need to volunteer in the future. We need to do some volunteer training to encourage new volunteers.
D. It’s difficult to get good teachers because they are tied up so far in advance. The Show Director would like to send out Letters of Intent to teacher for future shows, not just the upcoming show.
Motion: Anne McCandless moved that the Board authorize the Show Director to be able to offer Letters of Intent to Faculty for upcoming shows. Bonnie Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. Linda Wines will have Martha Eaves review the Letters of Intent first before sending out earlier than usual.

Operations (Kathleen Winters)
A. The door near the garden is locked in the evening; the door on the side near the men’s bathroom is open.
B. Kathleen and June are planning to meet with Rebecca and Rochelle.

Education (Sharon Peterson)
A. The Studio Tour is set. There will be 6 studios. Tickets will go on sale at the July MQ meetings.
B. School House is almost complete.
C. The bus quote for the shop hop to Blue Earth in October is approximately $45 per person.
D. Sharon will be meeting Charlette Pittman to discuss the Fall retreat and the in-town retreat.
E. The Holiday Brunch is almost complete and ready to go.
F. The garage sale held in May was successful for people who rented tables; the items donated to the MQ table were not very good so the sales for MQ were not good.

Communications (Kathy Brevig and Pat Curtner)
A. The Communications part of the Annual Report was missing from the report. Kathy Brevig will email the missing part to the Board.
B. Kathy talked about the State Fair and indicated she would be the coordinator of volunteers in charge of accepting items for the Creative Activities building.
C. Gail Kieper will continue to coordinate the demo booth.

Membership (Gail Hanson and Anne McCandless)
A. Gail presented the paperwork for the Scrap Quilt Challenge, the proposed Textile Center exhibit in July/August 2015.
B. We will have insurance coverage for the quilts in this exhibit.

President-Elect (Bonnie Ellis)
A. Duluth was voted the Best Outdoor City. Bonnie would like to have this theme for the President’s Challenge at the Duluth show.
B. Bonnie reported that the scholarship winner loved her classes.

Past President (Laura Nagel)
A. Char Wenger and Laura Nagel (Nominating Committee members) counted the ballots for the 2014-2015 directors.
B. 90 ballots were counted and the results were unanimous:
   Martha Eaves – President-Elect
   Charlette Pittman – Education Co-Director
   Suzanne Fisher – Operations Co-Director
   Mary Ann Baraibar - Membership Co-Director
   Karen O’Brien – Communications Co-Director

Co-Presidents’ Report (Patty Von Arx and Kathie Simon Frank)
A. Kathie reported that the library committee met to discuss ways to bring books to the St. Lawrence Church.
B. The Library Committee would like to purchase a cart for the library books.

Motion: Sharon Peterson moved a cart be purchased as recommended by the Library Committee. Kathy Brevig seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. The library book procedure will be presented as part of the Schoolhouse meeting in September.

Motion: Bonnie Ellis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Laura Nagel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Schultz
Secretary