Minnesota Quilters, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting

Date: May 27, 2014
Location: St. Lawrence Church, Minneapolis MN

Board Members Attending: Staff Attending: Guests:
Kathie Simon Frank (Co-President) Linda Wines Lou Roos
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)
Kathy Brevig (Communications)
Pat Curtner (Communications)
Anne McCandless (Membership)
Gail Hanson (Membership)
June Kolodzieski (Operations)

Board Members Not Present: Kathleen Winters (Operations)

Meeting called to order at 6:13 p.m.

Secretary Report (Jill Schultz)
A. The April 22, 2014 Board Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Kate Eelkema moved to approve the April 22, 2014 Meeting minutes as revised. Pat Curtner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Show Director (Linda Wines)
2014 Show Report (Linda Wines)
A. Linda presented the floor plan and showed the Board where the vendors were located.
B. Three possible non-quilt related vendors were discussed and approved by the Board.
C. The Board was able to see the 2014 show pin, volunteer pin and show bag.
D. The Judged Quilt online registrations had a few issues but should be better next year.
E. Extra care will be taken when using the lift in the social hall when loading the truck.

2015 Show Report (Laura Nagel)
A. The raffle quilt proposal is expected soon.
B. A Bernina embroidery class is being discussed for the show.

Co-Presidents’ Report (Patty Von Arx and Kathie Simon Frank)
A. The Board accepted the resignation of Mary Pozzini.
B. The Board voted on and approved the new appointment of Bonnie Ellis as President-Elect.
C. The Co-Presidents welcomed Bonnie on behalf of the Board.
D. The Annual Meeting check-in procedures were discussed.
E. Bylaw comments received from members were discussed by the Board and appropriate changes were made.

Motion: Bonnie Ellis moved to accept the Bylaws as Amended and Revised in May 2014 as discussed at the Board meeting. Kate Eelkema seconded the motion. Motion carried. [This Motion was replaced by votes via email. See next page.]

G. Patty Von Arx will send out the Amended and Revised Bylaws to the Board for review. Board members are to read the Bylaws for typos and get back to Patty.
Motion: Laura Nagel moved to amend the original motion of Tuesday, May 27th to approve the MQ bylaw changes and revisions, to include the wording establishing other special committees, and adding MQP to the list of Standing Committees. Jill Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Action Item: All Board Members will review the Bylaws and provide comments to the Co-Presidents.

H. Patty Von Arx asked for and received suggestions of what we should put into the MQ display case at the quilt show in St. Cloud.

Past President (Laura Nagel)
A. Laura presented names of people interested in open board positions.
B. Annual Report articles should be sent to Laura.
C. Gail Hanson recommended board members write a summary of what happened during the last year of their term when their term is completed.

Membership (Gail Hanson and Anne McCandless)
A. Gail discussed a MQ exhibit being held at the Textile Center.
B. We need to make sure we have insurance coverage when the quilts hang in the Textile Center if the quilts are not to be sold.

Communications (Kathy Brevig and Pat Curtner)
A. Kathy received a letter from the Minnesota State Fair regarding Senior lots. Many categories have been added and the board discussed whether or not to continue to cover all of the categories.
B. MQ will continue to give free membership to the best “first quilt entry”.

Education (Kate Eelkema and Sharon Peterson)
A. The August Studio Tours were discussed. The amount of time was set and the plan is to have 6 studios in the Apple Valley, Lakeville, South Minneapolis area.
B. The September meeting will be School House.
C. The October meeting will be a combination of Mike Ellingson speaking at our MQ Thursday meeting and teaching a class on Friday and MQ is traveling to Blue Earth while participating in a mini-shop hop on Saturday.
D. We may want to visit the Willmar Quilt Guild next year as part of our plan to take meetings “on the road”.

Operations (June Kolodzieski)
A. June is working on insurance lists for the quilt show.
B. It was suggested that MQ write an article about insuring your sewing machine.

Treasurer’s Report (Kathy Faust)
A. The Financials were presented.
B. The way membership was tracked this year will be different next year.
C. The 990 was sent to the Board via e-mail for approval.

Motion: Sharon Peterson moved to approve the audited financial statements, the 990 and 990T. Bonnie Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion: Anne McCandless made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sharon Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Schultz
Secretary