Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Debra and Linda demonstrated a new type of quilt hanger for the Board to consider for the Judged quilts in the next quilt show in June. You would not need to climb ladders in order to hang the quilts.

Gail Hanson gave a presentation on the Gallery Exhibits. The Challenge quilts from the June 2015 quilt show would go on tour if approved by the owners of the Challenge quilts. There would be an opportunity for the owners to sell their quilts on tour.

Motion: Sharon Peterson moved that we approve with the exhibit handling fee of $15 as discussed by the Board. The Challenge quilt exhibits for members only will include the price of each quilt. The negotiation, sale and collection will be between the seller and buyer with the MQ office as the contact. Pat Curtner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bonnie Ellis welcomed everyone on the Board.

**Secretary Report** (Jill Schultz)

A. The September 23, 2014 Board Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Anne McCandless moved to approve the September 23, 2014 meeting minutes as corrected and amended. Vicci Mattsfield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. The September 27, 2014 Turnover Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Patty Von Arx moved to approve and accept the September 27, 2014 turnover meeting minutes. Pat Curtner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report** (Vicci Mattsfield)

A. The Financials were presented.
B. A new version of Quickbooks has been ordered.
C. The preliminary audit is set for November 14; the audit is set for December 1.
D. The Morgan Stanley CD is currently in cash. The Finance Committee is looking at investment options.
E. The promotional GiveMN emails will be updated.
Show Director/Coordinator Report (Linda Wines and Laura Nagel)
A. There will be a walk-through in mid-November with the Judged, Non-Judged and Special Exhibit committees.
B. The Faculty contracts are in progress.
C. The Blue Earth Block Swappers volunteered to make the raffle quilt for the 2016 quilt show.

Motion: Sharon Peterson made a motion to accept the proposal by the Blue Earth Block Swappers to make the Minnesota Quilters 2016 Raffle Quilt. Jill Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. Linda is planning to attend and work at the “Road to California” quilt show at the end of January to learn different ways to plan and run a quilt show.
E. Linda handed out posters of the Raffle Quilt to the Board. These posters will be going to the quilt shops along with the Registration books.
F. The Teen Judged Category was discussed by the Board.

Motion: Patty Von Arx moved to approve the prize money amounts recommended by the Judged Committee for the Teen Judged Category: $150, $125 and $100. Anne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President-Elect (Martha Eaves)
A. Martha presented grant requests received this year for discussion by the Board.

Motion: Jill Schultz moved that the Board approve the recommended grant request amounts and to give $350 to each of the two organizations that requested any amount. Kathie Simon Frank seconded the motion. Motion carried. [A misplaced grant request was located so this motion is no longer valid.]

B. Martha discussed extending the deadline for the Scholarship applications to November 11. Once applications are received Martha will email them to the Board for voting.

Past Co-Presidents (Kathie Simon Frank and Patty Von Arx)
A. Patty reported that members are confused about receiving one or two years’ free membership when serving on multiple committees such as on the Board and on the Show Committee in the same year.

Motion: Sharon Peterson made a motion that if you serve on the Board and on the Show Committee in the same year, you receive one free year of membership at a time going forward. Vicci Mattsfield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. Kathie presented the idea of a cook book fundraiser to see if there is any interest. There was not enough interest in the cook book idea but the Board may be interested in a different kind of fundraiser.
C. If there are wish list items, please get them to Kathie.

President (Bonnie Ellis)
A. Bonnie reported that the Quilter of the Year has accepted.
B. Bonnie presented the Conflict of Interest Policy. Martha Eaves will review the policy.
C. Bonnie expressed concern that there is no Show Coordinator for the 2016 quilt show. We are working on authorizing teachers further out and it’s best to have Show Coordinator input.
D. Bonnie requested a committee be formed to search for a new location. Jill Schultz will look for old documents that may help in the search process as far as MQ’s needs for a meeting place.

Education (Sharon Peterson and Charlette Pittman)
A. Sharon reported that Cloquet will not be available for the next two years for a retreat for MQ.
B. Charlette and Sharon have been working on finding other facilities.
C. Members have been requesting a Spring Retreat and one has now been set for April 12-15 at Camp Wapo.
D. There will be an In Town Retreat at Millie P’s March 12-14.
E. The email went out for the Holiday Brunch.

**Operations (Suzanne Fisher)**
A. Suzanne discussed an updated phone plan for Linda so she can text and receive texts.

| Motion: Patty Von Arx moved to approve an updated phone plan for the Show Director. Anne McCandless seconded the motion. Motion carried. |

B. Suzanne discussed a new payroll provider. MQ would receive reduced costs because we are a member of the Minnesota Council of Non-Profits.

**Membership (Mary Ann Baraibar and Anne McCandless)**
No report this month.

**Communications (Pat Curtner)**
A. Pat reminded the Board that we need to stick to the newsletter deadlines. The newsletter takes a lot of effort and the Editor needs to get the articles on time.

| Motion: Patty Von Arx made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Vicci Mattsfield seconded the motion. Motion carried. |

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Schultz
Secretary