Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Bonnie Ellis opened the meeting.
A. Cell phones were silenced.
B. Attendance List/Hours reported.

Secretary Report (Jill Schultz)
A. The March 24, 2015 Board Meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Kathie Simon Frank moved to approve the March 24, 2015 meeting minutes as corrected and amended. Vicci Mattsfield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report (Vicci Mattsfield)
A. The Financials were presented.
B. Vicci requested the Board accept the 2014 Auditor’s Report.

Show Director/Coordinator Report (Linda Wines and Laura Nagel)
A. Linda Wines presented the future show dates.
B. To date, we have 30 sponsors and 82 vendors for the 2015 quilt show.
C. Linda Wines and Laura Nagel decided not to have a class sale. If a class had to be canceled, those class members would receive another class at a discount or would receive a refund.
D. Linda presented the 2015 show registration report.
E. Bonnie, as President, will reply to the Dallas quilt guild about number of volunteers they have vs how many volunteers our show has.
F. The Outstanding Volunteer will be honored at the banquet.
G. Linda presented proposed changes to the 2016 Challenge. The changes proposed include: the outside edge of items in the Wallhanging category must be no larger than 144” total; the challenge categories will be (a) quilt or wallhanging and (b) wearable or 3-dimensional art or accessories; cash prizes will be awarded for First and Second Places in each of the above categories.
Motion: Patty Von Arx moved to approve the proposed 2016 Challenge changes as presented by Linda Wines. Suzanne Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

H. Laura Nagel reported that the room assignments have been completed for the teachers for the show.
I. Teachers have been requested to contribute small quilt auction items.
J. Laura Nagel reported that there would be TV ads running in Duluth the week before the quilt show. On Thursday and Friday of show week, the quilt show will be discussed on the 6:00 p.m. news.
K. The board discussed a discounted rate for assisted living groups to attend the show.

Motion: Sharon Peterson moved to approve a discounted rate of $6.00 per person for assisted living groups to attend the show in Duluth. The groups will register online. Kathie Simon Frank seconded the motion. Motion carried.

L. Linda Wines will send letters to assisted living centers.

Education (Sharon Peterson and Charlette Pittman)
A. The Education Directors reported that there will be a Fall In-Town Retreat at Millie P’s September 17, 18 and 19. The Snow Flake Guild will be in charge of the retreat.
B. Sharon reported that the Wapo retreat was good. There were 16 attendees.
C. Sharon reported that there are 3 or 4 hand quilting frames in the closet and wanted to know how many hand quilting frames are needed.

Membership (Mary Ann Baraibar and Anne McCandless)
A. The Membership Directors reported that there was a meeting regarding business members.
B. Business members will begin vending at our membership meetings.
C. Business members will be listed on Facebook once a year.
D. Window clings will be given to business members.

Communications (Pat Curtner and Karen O’Brien)
A. The board discussed if MQ should become a member of the Midwest Fiber Arts Trails e-newsletter for $75 a year. The publication would publish notices about our events. Pat Curtner will check on this communication.
B. Spring Market will be held in Minneapolis this year. MQ will do an email blast about Spring Market for members who may want to volunteer.
C. MQ will advertise for another PR person.

Operations (Suzanne Fisher and Kathleen Winters)
A. Kathleen Winters requested that all meetings be planned for 2016 and email the list to her.
B. Suzanne Fisher reported on the search for a new location. 35 properties were presented to the move committee and the move committee will begin looking at some of the places.

President-Elect (Martha Eaves)
A. Nothing to report.

Past Co-Presidents (Kathie Simon Frank and Patty Von Arx)
A. MQ received an invitation to attend a luncheon on fiscal sponsorship. Kathie Simon Frank will attend.
B. MQ received a thank-you from the American Quilt Study for the $500 donated for Gail Bakkom’s paper presentation.
C. Kathie Simon Frank requested there be a meeting to discuss MQ’s investment policy statement. A few board members agreed to attend the meeting for this purpose.
D. There will be an email blast to the membership about absentee ballots.
**President** (Bonnie Ellis)

A. Bonnie discussed staffing at the board table at the quilt show.

B. Bonnie discussed Sue Poser’s statement about new quilters and what she would like to see happen in the quilt community. The Board discussed different ways for quilters to connect to other quilters (i.e., mentors, quilting sisters, etc.) More discussions on this will be held in the future.

| Motion: Kathleen Winters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Patty Von Arx seconded the motion. | Motion carried. |

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Schultz
Secretary