MINNESOTA QUILTERS, INC.
Annual Meeting Minutes
Duluth, Minnesota
June 12, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 12:06 by President Bonnie Ellis.

Board Members present: Board members not in attendance:
Bonnie Ellis – President Charlette Pittman – Education
Kathie Simon Frank and Patty Von Arx – Past Co-Presidents Suzanne Fisher – Operations
Martha Eaves – President Elect
Jill Schultz – Secretary
Vicci Mattsfield – Treasurer
Sharon Peterson – Education
Pat Curtner and Karen O’Brien – Communications
Kathleen Winters – Operations
Anne McCandless and Mary Ann Baraibar – Membership

The door prize ticket was drawn for the sewing machine.
The current Board was introduced.
The Annual Report was presented to the membership in attendance.

Vicci Mattsfield presented the financial information.

Kathie Simon Frank discussed accomplishments as Co-President with Patty Von Arx. A few of the accomplishments were that the Co-Presidency worked very well, the Board approved and operated under a balanced budget, increased MQ’s savings, improved and changed the By-laws, added and expanded “Quilting for Others”, and increased the grant money. Kathie updated the membership about the pending move to a new location. There is a working search committee that is working with a realtor. We are looking for meeting and office space. Martha Eaves also spoke about the active moving committee. The committee looked at the Machinists Hall but that is not available. The committee did not look at The Textile Center due to parking restrictions.

Martha has attended a fundraising class. If anyone has any creative fundraising ideas, please talk to Martha. Martha will be President effective October 1st and would like to work together to have a joyful year of quilting.

The Nominating Committee was introduced. People who served on the committee were Kathy Brevig, Rita Culshaw, Char Wenger, Kathie Simon Frank and Patty Von Arx.

Char Wenger introduced the slate:
   Co-Presidents: Rose Allen and Pat Curtner
   Secretary: Karen Knoll
   Operations Director: Judy Lewis
   Membership Director: Barbara Jackson or Kay Genelin
   Communications Director: Rebecca Finch
   Education Director: Sharon Peterson

Char asked for any nominations from the floor for each position. Once it was determined that no one was going to be nominated, the nominations were closed.

Patty Von Arx spoke about becoming a member of the nominating committee for the next year. Anne McCandless has volunteered so far.

Martha Eaves spoke about the library. The library committee runs the library. We are members of The Textile Center so our members can use the library at The Textile Center. As The Textile Center culls its quilting books, we will review the books and determine which ones to add to our library for our meetings. We will develop a list of books we have in our personal library.

Bonnie Ellis spoke about the quality of quilts in our show. She talked about Sue Poser wanting to encourage the next generation of quilters. Bonnie would like MQ to teach a new generation as well.

It was reported that the “Wicked” exhibit donated a book to MQ.
Also, as of Friday, 7,000 to 8,000 people have attended the quilt show.
Kate Eelkema spoke about the Studio Tours scheduled for August 8. Tickets will be available at the July meetings.

Door prizes were drawn. Merle Pratt won the sewing machine.
Janet Watt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vicky Perschbacher seconded the motion. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.
Respectfully submitted, Jill Schultz