Minnesota Quilters, Inc Board of Directors Meeting

September 24, 2019

Mission: to further the preservation of quilting, to educate, to document the art and craft of quilting in Minnesota

Vision: Minnesota Quilters will be a state-wide leader in providing creative quilting education, activities, and mentoring through a welcoming multi-generational community of quilters with various skills and abilities

Board Members Present: Elise Frederick, Adrianne Lemberg, Linda Wines, Karen Kopitzke, Merle Pratt, Mary Tague, Peggy Stockwell, Karen Knoll, Kathie Simon Frank, Karen Newman, Donna Rockette, Diane Rose

Staff Present: Dana Hoeschen, Bookkeeper

Absent: Sharyn Resvick, Vicci Mattsfield

Finance:

- Dana Hoeschen presented the balanced Yearly Budget. Mary Tague moved to approve the budget. Peggy Stockwell seconded. Motion approved.
- Dana Hoeschen presented the Gift in Kind Policy. This is the guide to handling the donations to Quilting For Others, Door Prize, Small Quilt Auction, Library and MQ in general. Kathie Simon Frank moved to accept Gift in Kind Policy. Seconded by Karen Knoll.
  - * Policy needs to be posted
  - *Dana will create sign in sheets to record donations

Show Director:

Linda Wines is volunteering as show director until hiring is completed.

- Faculty contracts are all out. Most are back. There is a possibility of adding a mid-arm class.
- $500 from show budget to provide wifi at the show for vendors, show committee and board members. It will be password protected
- Show Co Chairs were approved by online vote. Co-chairs will be Lou Roos and Cheryl Plourde
- Discussion of inquiry by Heather Mulder Peterson on non-compete clause. Motion to waive the non-compete clause for Heather Mulder Peterson lecture only by Karen Kopitzke. Second by Peggy Stockwell Motion passed. *Linda will rewrite contract.
- Discussion of on-site trailer parking for vendors. Sponsors will be given parking. Other vendors will have option to purchase if available
- Clarification to vendors- “Ribbons” refer to the identification ribbons that they receive not ribbons that they give to recognize quilts. Motion to approve changes by Peggy Stockwell. Seconded by Adrianne Lemberg. Motion passed
• Shuttle busses for the Show will be $3300 for school buses to run Thursday and Friday 7:00-10:30 and 12:00–5:30. Drivers will assist with loading and unloading. Suggestions that there be a nominal donation requested.

• No registration books. Postcards will go out to replace book with information on accessing website.

• Show committee needs more recruiting. There are decisions that need to be made now. *Suggested slide show and poster to advertise open positions at the meetings

• Raffle Quilt proposal by Laura Nagel and AnnMarie Yohnk entitled “A Neighborhood of Quilters” or “A Village of Quilters” based on a designed by Carrie Nelson. Budget of $500 for materials and workmanship. Blocks would be done by members. *Board committed to doing at least 2 blocks. Motion to accept Raffle Quilt proposal with the exception that the raffle baskets tickets and the raffle quilt tickets be the same price. Seconded by Diane Rose. Motion passed. Discussion of handing of raffle baskets tabled.

• Motion to approve the following Board Members to also serve on the Show Committee: Linda Wines, Merle Pratt, Peggy Stockwell, Mary Tague, Laurie Klinkhammer, Kathie Simon Frank. Motion to approve Adrianne Lemberg. Second by Kathie Simon Frank. Motion passed

• No change to admission price. More promotion for advance tickets. No change for rates for buses

• Board table and Volunteer table will be combined at the show

• Review of Show Policies and Procedures. Motion to approve Karen Knoll. Second by Mary Tague. Motion passed

President – Elise Frederick

• Interviews for Show Director are on-going. Several strong possibilities.

• Quilter of the Year is responsibility of President. Suggestion was Mike Ellingson. *Kathie Simon Frank will submit for formal nomination

• Future schedule for meetings and other church building use submitted by Debra Svedberg. January dates changed to Jan 9 and Jan 11 pending church approval. Motion to approve all other dates by Kathie Simon Frank. Second by Peggy Stockwell. Motion passed.

President Elect – Karen Kopitke and Linda Wines

• Motion to approve adding “Will be considered at the March Board Meeting” to the Outstanding Volunteer nomination form by Karen Kopitke. Seconded by Kathie Simon Frank. Motion passed

• FLP is going well. Laura Nagel is Chair

• Faculty is going well.

Past President – Adrianne Lemberg

• Annual Reports are due.

• Job descriptions are updated but need to be reviewed.

Operations – Kathie Simon Frank and Karen Newman

• Carrie D’Andrea would like to donate materials from Dianne Callahan. *Diane Rose will preview to help determine use for QFO, Door prizes and/or pop up sale.
• Jeanne Spears will be MQ’s honored guest at the Textile Gala
• Kathie Simon Frank presented the check from Ricky Timms.
• Jeanne Spears will be MQ’s honoree at the Textile Gala
• Kathie Simon Frank will be selling books at the October Member meetings

Secretary – Merle Pratt

• Motion to approve minutes from the Aug 27, 2019 board meeting by Diane Rose. Second by Adrianne Lemberg. Minutes approved

Communications – Peggy Stockwell and Karen Knoll

• Karen Knoll working on new email system
• Peace Quilt for Nagasaki Sister City Celebration is underway, to be done by March.
• Annual contract with Cadan has some changes. *Peggy Stockwell will work with them to negotiate a better contract.

Education – Diane Rose

• Pearl and Mrytles Retreat Center will be closing. QFO will need to find a new location to meet for sewing
• Calendar of events is the same as last meeting

Membership – Mary Tague and Donna Rockette

• Discussion of putting meeting volunteer opportunities on Sign Up Genius *Donna Rockette will work with Nancy Hall and Merle Pratt to have that launched in January
• Membership statistics:
  Sept 2017 – 870
  Sept 2018 – 974
  Sept 2019 - 930

Linda Wines presented for a proposal for the 2020 Mystery Quilt from Susie Webster. Some concern about having the same designer two years in a row. Linda Wines made a motion to accept Susie Webster’s proposal. Second by Peggy Stockwell. Motion passed

Motion to adjourn by Karen Knoll. Second by Mary Tague

*Denotes action items