



MN Contemporary Quilters Board Meeting –Thursday, December 5, 2013

Time: Arrive between 6 and 6:30

Location: Rose Allen's home
852 Chippewa Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55107
651-227-4708



Food: Rose provided Soup and Bread - board brought sharing items



Attending: Rose Allen, Nancy Condon, Barb Bonifas, Tina Hughes, Peggy Wright, Peg LaSota, Melissa Nellis, Wanda Shelton, Leah Doherty, Sharon Englund
Absent: LaVonne Batalden, Sarah Gannett, Sally Mortenson, Janet Hovde, Joan Carver, Andrea Johnson

Regular business:

- Approved minutes - Sharon
- Treasurer's report – Leah
Membership

Retreats – refund to Janet Hartje who hasn't cashed the check.

\$195 from raffle of art work

\$1 per member fee is paid to the library for member use.

MCQ rents a mailbox at the Textile Center

\$6,000 in the bank – doing just fine.

Moved and seconded to accept the treasurer's report

- Exhibits– Sally – Barb B

Next exhibit January 11th at Unitarian church

Looking for venues in Minneapolis or SW suburbs

Discussion to add more than just the challenge quilts

There is room at WUUC for larger pieces.

If members want to hang a quilt other than the challenge quilts they may bring it, help hang and then help take down. The challenge quilts are easier to travel together because of size. To add a different size etc would make it more difficult to travel and store.

- **Retreat updates - Nancy**
 March 28 – 31 is the spring retreat.
 Modern quilters have asked to join us. They will register through us. Non-MCQ members will add \$10 to the registration fee.
 Option to bring a piece of ugly fabric for a group project. Carol Schweickhardt had the idea and will be asked to take charge of the project.
 Nancy Condon will talk to Tyler about the food choices.
- **Special events – Melissa and Janet**
 February might be a good month for an event.
 Need to find a venue.
 Quilt National is in Moorhead August 2014. We are considering going as a group.
 Rose will check information.
 Special education class. Need suggestions for 2015.
 Darla Keller - zentangles
 Shelly Stokes – new non-oil paint sticks
 Nancy Eha or Peggy Wright - Bead class
 Peggy Wright - gel printing
- **Program update – Peggy**
 Programs have been very interesting and fun this past year.
 2014 upcoming programs:
 January – Janet Hovde
 Sue Heinz's class
 February – painting with thread and needle felting
 March – Diana Eickert screen printing
 April – Nancy Wick
- **Newsletter update – Wanda**
 Deadline : January 2, 2014
 Profile: Kristen Lawson
- **Membership update – Leah**
 We have 109 members with a few to renew.
 Generally membership is between 105 to 120
- **Web site update - Peg**
 Using a new template. Peg has been perusing other websites to get some ideas for our new website.
 Needs an account for billing etc. Currently is on Peg's personal account. Need to get it in MCQ name.
 Possible "buttons" for site:
Home – Exhibits – Retreats – Newsletter – Board – Members – (kudos) – Photos – Library – Textile Center – Resources – How to -
 A drop-down menu will give options for each button.

Post box has an address – MCQ, Textile Center (address and box number)

- **Textile Center update – Tina**

Do and Dye was a “Big Success”

All are invited to TC shopping December 14 drawing is at 1:30 at the TC.

Tina Hughes has purchased two TC Shop gift certificates to give away at the drawing.

Silent auction for a fund raiser for 20th anniversary.

Textile Center looking for sponsorship. Guilds may sponsored by giving money.

January 16th

MCQ will give \$500 as a sponsor. Tina will fill out the form and give our donation.

\$100 given to library for membership. Also, \$150 as a gift to the library for books etc. Plus \$450 as a gift to TC

New business:

- **2014 proposed budget – Leah**

Budget looks good.

Moved and seconded to accept the budget

- Nominations for new board members – we still need a president-elect

Tina Hughes accepted the position of vice president of MCQ. She will step up as president in 2015 when she steps back from the TC board..

- **Mileage policy**

If the exhibit chair and/or co-chairs are driving 50 miles or more round trip for exhibits installation we will pay current IRS reimbursement rate per mile if reimbursement is requested.

It was moved and seconded to accept the above policy.

- List of books for Textile Center library

Accept list as is and/or Quilt Mania subscription and another zentangle book.

- Small Groups – LaVonne

- Spoonflower MCQ banner

- Any ideas for events, challenges in 2014

An aside from Tina:

International cat video festival.

On a Wednesday in summer at the State Fair grounds.

Llama costume contest also.

Rose agreed to send out her soup and bread recipes.



Wanda's studio shelving