

# SURFSIDE QUILTERS GUILD BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 16, 2021  
Via Zoom Video Conference

Called to Order at 10:00 a.m. by Mary Arter, President.

Attendees: Mary Arter, Deanne Meidell, Jeanette Brooks, Linda Chiu, Holly Betz, Judy Kamman, Debbie Myers, Denise Riley, Janis Toman, Karen Wendel, Nancy Pestal, Mary Harrigan, Sheri Hill, Vickie Janis.

A quorum of officers and standing committee members was verified.

## **APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

Motion made by Debbie Myers to approve the October 19, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion seconded by Linda Chiu.

No discussion. Motion passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Membership Management Software Proposal

**ACTION ITEM:** Mary Arter will investigate software and report at the December Board Meeting.

## **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT:** Mary Arter reported the November Fest went very well.

She reported members of the Beach Cities Quilters Guild will bring their opportunity quilt to our December General Meeting.

**1<sup>ST</sup> VP PROGRAMS:** Denise Riley reported the fee was \$250 for Lyn Mann, auctioneer of the Live Quilt Auction at November Fest.

She announced upcoming programs:

December: Member Showcase with Cathie Opila and her sister, Sue Carroll

January 11, 2022: Michelle Jackson: "Finding Myself Floating in Color Soup"

January 12 Workshop: "Designed by Nature"

February 8, 2022: Laura Fraga: "The World of Applique"

February 9 Workshop: "Trapunto By Machine"

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP MEMBERSHIP:** Janis Toman reported 100 members and 20 guests attended November Fest. She noted some others may have entered through the doors by the Boutique. Mary Harrigan noted 150 handmade ornaments were handed out.

There are 5 new members bringing the total to 180 members in the guild.

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP FACILITIES:** Karen Wendel reported our General Meetings are penciled in on the calendar for 2022 at St. Andrew's By-the Sea UMC. Karen was pleased by the ease of working with the staff in preparing for November Fest. There was no charge from the church for our set-up time on Monday afternoon. Karen was thanked by the group for handling the events of the day so well.

**ACTION ITEM:** Karen will get the contract for 2022 from the church for signing.

Mary mentioned our current insurance policy will also cover BCQG members who will be sharing our space at San Clemente Presbyterian Church for Philanthropy Days. Both guilds have the same policy through SCCQG.

BCQG will share the cost of the day at the church by paying half (\$50).

**ACTION ITEM:** Mary will put a note in Saturday Stitches asking members to bring canned food items or toiletry items to donate to the church at our next meeting.

**SECRETARY:** Deanne Meidell had no report.

**TREASURER:** Jeanette Brooks presented the October 2021 Income & Expense report.

Motion made by Debbie Myers to approve the report.

Motion seconded by Denise Riley.

No discussion. Motion passed.

**PARLIAMENTARIAN / PAST PRESIDENT:** No report

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH:** Holly Betz and Judy Kamman presented the 2 blocks for December. They will bring the blocks for November and December to the December meeting.

**HOSPITALITY:** No report

**MONTHLY MINI:** There was no Monthly Mini at November Fest. Sheri Hill showed the wall hanging donated by the Mini Maniacs that will be the Monthly Mini for December.

**PHD COORDINATOR: (Special Committee)** Sheri Hill reported the group is on vacation until January. They will have a drawing in January to select the winners.

**NEWSLETTER:** Debbie Myers thanked everyone for sending articles.

**NOVEMBER FEST:** Monica Shafer's report as emailed to Mary: *Big thanks to all the guild members who contributed items they made at home, those who picked up kits and made them and to those who helped with pricing and merchandising ahead of the event. Thank you to all the people who showed up and helped set up, write up sales and break down the boutique. The boutique owes its success to you!*

There will be a Mini Boutique at the December meeting with reduced prices.

Other Comments: Great lighting for the quilts  
Perfect arrangement of the room  
Price points for all from low to high  
Some didn't know about the Silent Auction -- suggest signs and different placement in the room for next time.

Discussion: Should we hold November Fest every year?

- Might get more participation if we hold every other year
- Maybe have a rummage sale instead
- It was noted we have a large account balance currently and we might need to spend down that amount.
- Denise Riley reported speakers' fees have increased.
- It was suggested we purchase a wireless microphone.

**PROGRAM NOTE:** It was decided to drop Edyta Sitar as the September 2022 speaker as she has not responded to many attempts to reach her.

After discussion it was decided to evaluate early in each guild year to see if funds are needed and decide on having November Fest at that time. It was decided to hold off on giving a contract to Lyn Mann for 2022 until a decision is made.

**ACTION ITEM:** Mary will make a note for the board to decide on November Fest 2022 in a future meeting.

**NOVEMBER FEST FINANCIAL REPORT:** Jeanette Brooks presented a report showing the net sales of November Fest. The total was \$13,792.56. She commented the cashiers worked very well at the event. It was suggested the quilts purchased at the Live Auction be placed in numbered shopping bags instead of being stacked.

**ACTION ITEM:** Mary will include the category totals in the newsletter.

**PHILANTHROPY:** Linda Chiu reported 400 quilts have been made for Philanthropy so far this year. The total already exceeds last year.

This week 20 quilts were donated to Ronald McDonald House at CHOC. Mothers Without Borders were very grateful for the donation of flannel blankets.

Soon approximately 100 quilts will be donated to Meals on Wheels leaving a remainder of 60 quilts.

Linda noted the need for more quilters. There was a concern we are overloading our current volunteers. The idea of purchasing a quilting machine for the guild was briefly discussed.

**PUBLICITY/SPONSORS:** Sharon Whelan's report as emailed.

- 1) *Surfside Quilters Guild has 12 sponsors. Please continue to support them and when you do, mention Surfside Quilters Guild and thank them for their sponsorship.*
- 2) *November Fest was listed online on the guild's Facebook group and as an event on Patch.com. (I hope the posts attracted some interest in our fundraiser).*
- 3) *Olivia Shafer's new business card was forwarded to be included in three forms of publicity - newsletter, website and directory.*

**GUILD DIRECTORY:** The sample Directory presented was discussed. It does not list programs.

**ACTION ITEM:** After adding the 5 new members, Janis Toman was given approval to print the directory.

**SCCQG:** No meeting was held this month.

**SHOW AND TELL:** No report

**SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:** Mary noted the passing of Dawn Johnson's mother-in-law.

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:** No report

**WELCOME/FRIENDSHIP:** Mary Harrigan reported it was fun to greet the participants at November Fest. She was thanked for the great Welcome gifts. Mary has bookmarks from Road to California to be displayed at the next meeting.

**WORKSHOPS:** Mary reported Michelle Jackson will be presenting the workshop in January 2022. Laura Fraga will present the workshop in February 2022.

## **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**BUS TRIPS:** Judy Kamman reported 37 signed up for the bus trip to Road to California. She expects a few more to sign up at the December meeting. Six members from BCQG were glad to be able to join us.

**ACTION ITEM:** Judy will ask the company if there is a restroom on the bus.  
**In the quickest ever response to an Action Item, Judy announced, "Yes."**

**LET'S GET TO KNOW:** Holly Betz reported she interviewed Glenna Anderson for the newsletter this month.

**MAGAZINE RECYCLING:** No sales at November Fest.

**PHOTOGRAPHY:** Del Thomas took photos at November Fest.

**RETREAT:** No report

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**a) Holiday gifts to churches**

It was decided to present plants or floral arrangements costing approximately \$50 each to the offices of St. Andrew's By-the-Sea UMC and San Clemente Presbyterian Church.

**ACTION ITEM:** Mary will complete that task.

**b) Mary announced we have received 2 complimentary tickets to Road to California and 2 complimentary tickets to the Sewing Arts Festival.**

**ACTION ITEM:** Separate baskets will be prepared for each set of tickets for two separate drawings at the December meeting.

Action Items were reviewed.

The next Board Meeting will be December 21 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom video conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m. by Mary Arter, President.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanne Meidell, Secretary