Booneslick Trail Quilters' Guild

January 12, 2015

Meeting called to order 6:00 PM DBRL Conference Room

Members present: Nancy Antonio, Hank Botts, Joyce Campbell, Martha Eberhard, Bettina Havig, Dianne Jackson, Sharon Lawler, Maria DeLamatre, Willie Morris, Virginia Peterson, Mary Pilkenton, Donna Puleo. Lauri Rich, Sally Russell, Mindy Smith and Sandy Womack.

Members absent: Louise Bequette, Robin Heider, Anna Mary Hughes and Margaret Muegenburg.

Officer Reports:

Martha Eberhard, CEO, reminded us to contact her if any board member has a key from past years or current. She continues to compile an accurate record of keys. Martha read a letter from Linda Sandlin resigning from the guild. Linda felt that she should have been reminded to send in her dues and contacted via phone versus email regarding contact as EZ2B Stitchers interest group. She did not want her dues back but wished to donate the remaining portion to the library. Discussion followed raising the question of dues reminders. Members brought up that some members have objected to being reminded. Dues procedures were discussed. Consensus was that dues are not refundable and that this be added to BTQG Bylaws. This is tabled until the Bylaws and Policy Committee meets. Membership renewals are requested in newsletters and emails. Annual meeting is a signal that it is renewal time.

Minutes were reviewed and corrected. Mary Pilkenton moved that minutes be accepted as corrected. Virginia Peterson seconded. Motion passed.

Maria DeLamatre, Treasurer, presented the treasurer's report. We have 154 members. Consignment checks will be issued this week. She is working on tax forms for individuals in which we have paid \$600 or more. A question was raised about the current report format as it does not clearly represent profits and expenses. Next year's budget needs to include income for the quilt show and the special speaker cannot be a zero budget. Suggestion will be given to Budget Committee. Motion to accept treasurer's report made by Mary Pilkenton and seconded by Hank Botts. Motion passed.

Bettina Havig, Vice CEO, had no report on 2015 Special Program. She has written an article for the newsletter soliciting feedback from guild members on who and what they want from their special speaker. Speaker costs are going up and some speakers require books and/or tools to be purchased which add to the cost of a workshop. She would like to have a speaker who is developing patterns and ideas that stretch our quilting abilities.

Sharon Lawler, Past CEO, reported that the Annual Meeting Committee met and planned for the annual meeting to be held at Fairview United Methodist Church. A lunch will be catered by Jack's for a cost of less than \$9.00 per plate. No speaker has been selected, at this time.

Louise Bequette, Day President, was absent but sent in her report. If schools have a late start, there will be no sit and sew, but the regular meeting will be at 1:00. If Columbia Public Schools is cancelled, the regular meeting is also cancelled.

Sally Russell, Starlight President, announced that the Church is hosting "The Room at the Inn" shelter on February 5^{th-}, so our meeting will be held in the Sanctuary of the church. Please enter through the upstairs doors. She thanked all the members who braved the cold weather and came to the January feature presentation. There were about 20 members present.

Committee Reports:

Day Chapter Programs: A round robin teaching session with various members teaching quilting techniques.

Starlight Piecemakers Program: Mindy Smith reported there will be an appreciation section to the meeting and a trunk show.

Quilt Show: No further report for 2014 quilt show. Mindy Smith reported on possible sites for 2016. Her committee recommended Stoney Creek Inn. Mindy moved that the 2016 Quilt Show be held at Stoney Creek. Discussion followed. Motion was tabled until more information available.

Retreat: Sandy Womack reported that there are 50 participants for the March 6-8th Retreat.

Library: Robin Heider and Hank Botts worked on the library. They have culled some books that are outdated. Many of Nancy Kennedy's donated books were added to the collection.

Historian: Virginia Peterson is working on efiles.

Service Projects: Lauri Rich had no report.

Membership: Joyce Campbell has identified former members who did not renew their_membership this year. These names will be contacted to invite them back and/or solicit feedback on why they did not renew. She reported that she is working on a new form for next year.

Newsletter Editor: No report

Membership Directory: No report

Webmaster: No report

Old Business:

Facebook: Mindy Smith checked on the needs for Facebook page. It must have an individual attached to it to actively manage the page. She requested we seek a volunteer to manage it and serve as social media chair. Martha will solicit a volunteer.

Garage Sale: No volunteer have been found to chair the garage sale, so this event has been tabled.

New Business:

501c3: Bettina explained the history of how and why we became a non-profit. 501c3 means donations are tax deductible.

Veteran's Quilt Project: Mindy Smith said she had been contacted by a member of an organization that is building apartments for Vets. They would like quilts for each room. Discussion followed. Opportunities to make quilts for various groups can be presented to the members at meetings.

Upcoming Meetings will be held at DBRL. February 9 will be in Friends Room. March 9 DBRL Conference Room A.

8:15 Meeting Adjourned. Joyce Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting. Diane Jackson second it. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Antonio, Secretary