

BTQG BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order by CEO Janet Hollandsworth at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom connection.

Present via Zoom: Janet Hollandsworth, Robin Heider, Judi Kirkpatrick, Sharon Lawler, Amy Reilly, Mona Stevenson, Alice Leeper, Martha Eberhard, Barb Nixon, Debbie Odor, Donna Puleo, Lynn Hill, Elaine Keely, Nancy Antonio, Connie Richards, Willie Morris, Judy Gieselman, Carrol Lewis.

Absent: none.

CEO report was given by Janet Hollandsworth. Janet has sent this 2022-2023 fiscal year's list of BTQG officers and BTQG's program schedule to Heartland Quilt Network. Discussion was held on the importance of a member or two from BTQG attending Heartland Quilt Network's annual meeting on March 25 to gather information on possible speakers for next year. Discussion included possibly amending BTQG policy to allow two members to be reimbursed for attending that annual meeting.

January minutes were read by Board members before the meeting. Motion was made by Alice Leeper and seconded by Mona Stevenson to approve the January minutes with one correction. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Amy Reilly. Balance on hand as of January 31 was \$45,212.23. Motion was made by Connie Richards and seconded by Mona Stevenson to accept the Treasurer's report for January. Motion passed.

Day Chapter President Mona Stevenson reported that members will sew quilt tops for service project quilts as March's program. Alice Leeper will unlock the building at 9:00. Mona Stevenson will use some of December's auction income to buy pizza for lunch at that Day Chapter meeting.

Starlight Chapter President Alice Leeper reported that February's Zoom meetings went exceptionally well. Alice Leeper cannot come to March's Starlight meeting, and Robin Heider will unlock the doors at 5:30 for the membership to arrive and begin sewing service project quilt tops.

Program Team report was given by Martha Eberhard and Barb Nixon. Presenters are contracted for programs for the rest of this fiscal year. July's chapter meeting is still without a replacement for Candy Hargrove who cannot come. That position will be filled soon.

Library report was given by Elaine Keely. The Library Team has purchased two books for BTQG's library. Discussion was held on places to donate used quilting books that were donated to BTQG but are not needed in our library.

Service Projects report was given by Connie Richards. She reported that 200 quilts were donated to organizations last year and so far this year. Eight quilts are almost finished, and thirty-six tops need to be quilted by volunteers. At both March chapter meetings, BTQG members will sew blocks into quilt tops or cut fabrics for kits that members can take home to piece or quilt into service project quilts.

Membership report was given by Donna Puleo. She will send contact information on new members to Lynn Hill for inclusion in the next several newsletters. There were no new members in January.

Newsletter report was given by Lynn Hill. New members' contact information will be put in newsletters. The deadline for the March newsletter is Wednesday, February 15 at 5:00 p.m.

The webmaster report was given by Janet Hollandsworth. There was no new information to add to BTQG's website this month.

Social Media chairperson Barb Nixon reported that she posts a welcome message on BTQG's Facebook page when anyone asks to be added to it, whether they are a long-time BTQG member or a new BTQG member or a person just interested in following BTQG's Facebook page. On suggestion by Martha Eberhard, welcome messages should also include whether or not the person is a BTQG member.

Membership Directory chairperson Debbie Odor had no new information to report.

Winter Retreat report was given by Willie Morris. A list of reminders for the upcoming retreat was emailed to participants today. A chairperson for next year's Winter Retreat is needed soon so that dates for the 2024 retreat can be set with Lodge of the Four Seasons.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Judi Kirkpatrick, Past CEO, reported on plans for the Annual Meeting set for June 3rd. Karen Gibbs who works with a subsidiary of Northcott Fabrics has signed a contract to speak on Roaming Around the Quilt Industry and to also talk about Bargello quilts. Karen Gibbs is doing a lecture for Appletree Quilting Center on Thursday night and a workshop for them on Friday, so Appletree Quilting Center is underwriting a great portion of travel expense that BTQG would otherwise need to pay for Karen Gibbs to speak at our Annual Meeting. Discussion included updating BTQG's informational flyer for Appletree Quilting Center to have in their store, estimating length of business and brunch, and seating for non-BTQG guests who come after our brunch to hear Karen Gibbs' program.

Membership chairperson Donna Puleo added to her report that one new member has requested a mentor and that two long-time members have volunteered to mentor a new member. An article for March's newsletter will include short obituaries of Shirley Troth who was a founding member of BTQG, and of Margaret Muegenburg who was a long-time BTQG member. The newsletter will also include that Joan Pottinger is recovering from hip surgery. Guild members may wish to send greeting cards.

Lynn Hill reminded us that Boone County History and Culture Center needs volunteers to help children make paper quilt blocks at their center on Saturday morning, March 11. The society also invites BTQG members to bring quilts for the children to see and handle.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alice Leeper and seconded by Judi Kirkpatrick to adjourn the meeting. Motion past. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Lawler
BTQG Secretary