

Minutes

Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Laurel Manor Recreation Center

President Ardie Wood called the meeting to order at 1:58PM. All chapters were represented except for Lakeside and Happy Hour. There were 49 people in attendance including the 4 Guild officers.

Secretary's Report

Minutes have been posted on the QGOTV website for all to review.

Treasurer's Report

Current treasurer's report was sent to all Chapter presidents with the meeting agenda.

Vice President Report

VP Yvonne Wecker reported that the December visiting artist will be Cindy Grisdella. She has a few openings in her class on December 6. All visiting artist slots are full for 2024 with the exception of July. There will be an M2M class binding tips on December 9 with Jennifer Greulich. She is conducting two classes that day and there are still a few openings. In February, Angela Walters will be coming to The Villages. She has agreed to conduct 6 workshops as well as 2 lectures which will take place at Mulberry and Everglades. We are securing meeting space outside of The Villages for the workshops at the Wildwood Community Center. It is important that we get a good idea of how many members would be attending these workshops so we are not paying for space that we will not use. Chapter presidents are encouraged to check with their members to get a good understanding of this opportunity, so it is not wasted.

Before we started the Committee Reports, President Wood asked for a moment of silence for one of our valued Board members – Pixie Wilder. Pixie has been leading the Cornerstone Hospice initiative for the Guild. She had some complications from back surgery and is currently in hospice care.

Committee Reports

Charity - no report from Maureen Huntley

Cornerstone – Nanette Fahler was on hand to collect any quilts.

Honor Flight – Julienne Brodrick reported that she currently has 161 quilts for the April and May 2024 flights. Reminder that they are to be 40x60, red/white/blue are appreciated, but not required. Specific service themed panels with camouflage material are also encouraged. Though the allotment of quilts has been met for the two flights, it is always appreciated having some additional quilts on hand.

Children's Home Society – Deb Silva took some donations in Clare Creamer's absence.

Fidget Mats – The Guild members really stepped up on creating these mats for the upcoming Coping with Dementia conference at the end of October at the Savannah Center. The final count was 444 mats.

Membership – Currently at 1275, but renewals will take place in December which could alter the number. The membership renewal option is available on December 1 with the hope that all will be completed by December 7. The members have until the end of December to sign up. Nanette asked that everyone be patient with the website as it could get overloaded with signups and slow down.

Fall Craft Show – Lynn Kluczynski reported that the 2023 Craft Show was a great success. Next year's show will be at Savannah Center on October 19.

Marketplace 2024 – Victoria Grace reported that all members will get free wristbands for attendance through their chapter presidents. Passports will be sold at their meetings by their Marketplace Coordinator for \$5 each. After January 16, they will be charged \$10. There are 34 confirmed vendors. The collection for Basketmania baskets will be held on 12/30, 12/31, 1/1 and 1/2. Yvonne Wecker is handing this collection.

2023 Stocking Challenge –29 stockings were collected at this meeting by Nancy Miller to be displayed at the December 5 Guild Meeting. Members will be able to provide additional monetary donations that evening and vote on the MVP of the stockings which will be identifiable by numbers and not the chapter name. Theresa also collected other stockings. All stockings and monetary contributions will be given to the Children's Home Society.

Other Business

Based on input from last month's meeting, voting was held to not only select the Guild charities for support in 2024, but also determine how many will be supported. After all of the votes were tallied, the decision was voted on by the members in attendance to keep the charity support to three (3) charities and the charities selected were Honor Flight, Childrens Home Society and Cornerstone Hospice.

The Fiber Arts STARS are having their annual show and sale on Saturday, December 2 at Rohan Recreation Center from 9:00-3:00PM.

President Wood asked the members to let the Board know how and if they have utilized the batting which was given out early in the year. Pellon would like to see some photos of quilts that were made using the batting. In taking a toll, 1/3 of the chapters have used it all, 1/3 have used half and the other 1/3 has used three quarters of it. If you have any pictures to share, please send them to <u>QGOTVPresident@gmail.com</u>.

New Guild Structure

All the liaison positions have been filled. A full listing of those individuals with their contact information will be posted on the QGOTV website. To recap:

| Region 1 | Lynn Kluczynski |
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| | Suzanne Kuebler (backup) |
| Region | Mary Lou Townley |
| Region 3 | Kim Johnston |
| | Barb Happes (backup) |
| Region 4 | Sharon Duemler |
| | Alice Totsch (backup) |
| Region 5 | Barbara Whitfield |
| Region 6 | Barbara Rice |
| Region 7 | Michelle Weatherly |
| | Barbara Hall (backup) |
| Region 8 | Becky Hill |

There will be a meeting on Friday, December 1 at Rohan Recreation Center at 9:00AM with all the new liaisons to discuss plans to move forward. It is anticipated that these roles will become effective in the first quarter of 2024. This meeting is open to any members, but please let Ardie Wood know if you will be attending so appropriate space can be reserved.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be Tuesday, December 19 at 2:00PM at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Kloeffler

QGOTV Secretary