



## **Minutes**

### **Executive Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, December 19, 2023**

**Laurel Manor Recreation Center**

President Ardie Wood called the meeting to order at 2:00PM. All chapters were represented except for Chatham, Riverbend Bobbins, Rohan and Water Lily. There were 47 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. Treasurer Nancy Miller called for cash handlers for the upcoming Marketplace. They will need help in the cash room and with the credit card machines. They would prefer to have people who have done this task at previous Marketplace or Showcase events.

#### Vice President Report

VP Yvonne Wecker reported that the website is up to date for January visiting artist and M2M programs. There are still some openings. She plans to have the workshops available for the Angela Walters workshops by the end of the month. She asks that people not sign up for the evening sessions so they can be available for those chapters who typically meet in the evening. The AQS bus trip will take place on Wednesday, February 21.

#### Committee Reports

*Charity* – Alice Totsch was introduced as the new Charity Chairperson for 2024.

*Cornerstone* – Unfortunately, Pixie Wilder passed away in November. Nanette Fahler was on hand to collect any quilts and provided new medallions to those in attendance. It was pointed out that the focus for the new medallion was primarily first responders. Apparently, they will go back to the original design once these are used up. A new Chairperson will be named for Cornerstone by the end of the month.

*Honor Flight* – Julienne Brodrick reported that she currently has the 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* – The Stocking challenge at the December 2 Guild Meeting was a huge success and \$2,660 was presented to Larry Hershfield at the meeting along with 181 stockings. The winners of the Stocking Challenge were 1<sup>st</sup> Kasey Conger (Mamie's), 2<sup>nd</sup> Elaine Ashley (Captiva), 3<sup>rd</sup> Sue Woodbury (Mamie's).

Membership – Renewals are still underway, and Nanette Fahler reported that it has gone very well. There are only 24 people who have not yet signed up. They are checking to see if they are renewing. For now, the membership number has not increased, but this will be re-evaluated once the renewals are complete. Sharon Warner from Captiva expressed concern about chapter members who very seldom attend meetings and still renew annually. President Wood explained that there is no Guild policy on "Member on Good Standing." This has been discussed before, but it was determined that it is up to the chapter leadership to determine how to manage.

Marketplace 2024 – Victoria Grace reported that planning is going very well. The passports and wristbands will be given to the chapter presidents at the January 16 EBoard meeting. The passports will be sold for \$5, and the wristbands are free to all Guild members. There will be four (4) \$100 prizes for passports. She indicated that they will be holding firm about not opening the doors until 9:00AM. There will be no exceptions given the importance of managing the lobby traffic. The coordinators will meet on January 2 prior to the Guild meeting. Yvonne Wecker will be managing Basketmania and will be communicating the plan for pickup. There are 32 confirmed vendors; 8 of which are first time exhibitors.

The challenge quilts will be judged on December 20. They will be displayed at Marketplace and the top eight (8) ribbon winning quilts will be sent to the Grand Rapids AQS show. The ribbon categories are 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Honorable Mention, Best interpretation of theme and each judge will make a judge's choice.

#### Other Business

President Wood thanked everyone who submitted charity quilt photos. These were passed to Pellon to thank them for the batting which was provided.

Reminder that the three (3) charities selected for Guild support in 2024 are Cornerstone Hospice, The Villages Honor Flight and Children's Home Society.

It's important that the QGOTV website is updated with any Chapter leadership changes for 2024. Each chapter requires a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The new Liaison positions have been added to the website with their key contact information. Also review the weekly Recreation News to see if your information is accurate, especially as it relates to openings and contact information. Any changes to this information should be communicated to [QGOTVPresident@gmail.com](mailto:QGOTVPresident@gmail.com). The Chapter leaders should also review their meeting permits and make sure they are updated for the new year with the proper leadership as signature.

At the conclusion of the business portion of the meeting, Deb Silva was installed as the new Guild President for 2024-25. Everyone thanked Ardie Wood for her leadership over the last two years.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45PM.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 2:00PM at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Kloeffler

QGOTV Secretary