

Raincross Quilt Guild

Board Meeting

May 14, 2024



Call to Order: 7:06pm

Present at meeting: Jeri Read, Dawn Meade, Barbara Mathews, Shelly Niles, Char Byrne, and Elizabeth Eastmond.

Treasurer: Shelly Niles, Total: \$11,851.27 Charity \$2,508.62 General: \$7,742.65; Retreats: \$1,600.00

Shelly requested permission to purchase a flash drive for treasurer's information to be given to the next treasurer. Jeri approved, and Dawn requested an additional flash drive to pass membership information to her replacement. Shelly will purchase two flash drives and submit a receipt for payment.

Membership: Dawn Meade 89 members.

Dawn brought up the membership form on the RQG webpage. Discussion over membership paperwork Dawn received without payment; a member's check was received 2-3 days after the meeting. There is confusion and discussion over how to implement our new dues. Elizabeth asked for screen sharing so we could look at the form posted on the RQG webpage. This is what was decided: \$5.00 per month for May and June, July, and August (1-year membership July 1–June 30) will be \$35.00. After the August meeting, \$40.00 (July 1–June 30). \$5.00 per month for visitors (deposited separately), trying to encourage membership over visitors ($\$5.00 \times 12 = \60 per year). Char suggested we accept the membership payment as is and move on. Elizabeth requested that Dawn send her new member information or make her own changes to the online form; Dawn stated the current information is sufficient.

Nominating committee: Debbie Warner is not present at the meeting; she requests 10 minutes to speak at the 5/21/24 meeting. Voting for new board members will be done at the 5/21/24 meeting.

Community projects: Char shared information about a charity that Easy Quilting Corner is involved with called Wrapped in Love. A new RQG member and Char discussed that we should encourage members to support our local quilt shops because we are losing so many shops. At meetings each month, we should be talking about the community projects RQG supports (currently, there are 8 official charities on the RQG webpage). This would be a decision for the committee chairperson of the new board. Discussion of the Pet Beds charity and Julie Moore: is this an official charity of the guild, and is Julie a current member? Jeri and Elizabeth had to make a decision about what to post on the RQG charity webpage, located under the "Who we are" area. We need to remove Child Help and Threads of Love; neither are currently active. Survivor bags need dimensions from Sandy Shepard. Add dog beds. Elizabeth is hoping to get a paragraph from each charity chairperson about the charity and who the RQG contact is so she can add the information and members can reach out to the chairperson.

Uganda kits are available at the May meeting to be turned in at the June meeting. Elizabeth sends two blog posts a month. Yvonne requested a special post and mailing about the Uganda project bags. Jeri was at work and unavailable, so Elizabeth made the decision to send the email and requested approval after the email was sent.

More discussion of Wrapped in Love, a charity, promotes quilts for foster children. Faten [Owner of Easy Quilting Corner] has signed Easy Quilting Corner up with the charity. Elizabeth updated the webpage during the discussion; she needs Happy Bag and Survivors Bag patterns.

BOM: Char Byrne will be stepping down and not doing BOM next year to take care of personal issues.

Retreats: Barbara Mathews: The Vina retreat was a success. Several people would like an additional day or to have the retreat during the week in the future; weekends are more expensive than weekdays.

Retreat reservations must be made one year in advance. Barbara has reserved May 2–4, 2025, and has requested a deposit check of \$1,375.00.

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Ayers Fall Workshop has 10–12 people interested; not all have paid. If we have less than 22 people, the

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sewing room will cost more. We need 22 people at \$35.00 to cover the cost of the room.

5/18/24: Collage class with Barbara at Lake Mathews Community Center 3 people are paying to take the class and do the Clementine Tree, and 5 people are coming to finish their own projects in progress at no charge. Members will pay Barbara directly.

4th Saturday Sew Day will be 5/25; this is during Memorial Day weekend. We will take a vote to see if we should skip this month.

Lake Mathews Community Center needs proof of insurance to continue using this room. Shelly will look for SCCQG insurance information for Barbara.

Programs: Laura Prior will be the speaker and will do a trunk show at our May 2024 meeting. There will be a workshop on June 15, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Mathews Community Center. Laura will show how to make one of her bags. Jeri will ask Laura Prior to send workshop information to the Raincross Quilt Guild email so that Elizabeth can post information on the RGQ page.

Former member Jackie Hansen's family has contacted the guild and would like to donate totes of her quilting and sewing supplies. Jeri and Dawn will reach out and go pick up the items.

Request by Pat Newsome to share her quilt guild's opportunity quilt and sell tickets, Jeri will contact. IEQG will be showing and selling tickets for their opportunity quilt at our May 21 meeting.

The June meeting will be the installation of the new RQG board. SCCQG information needs to go to the new board members after the vote on 5/21/24 because there will be beneficial information shared. Meeting minutes need to state member first and last name and board position because minutes are required by Altura when changing account signature cards to new members.

Thank you for attending and participating.

Adjournment: 8:40 p.m.

Submitted by Shelly Niles, Treasurer