

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 12, 2024

Called to Order (time): 6:28 p.m.

Conducted by: Barbara Mathews



Attendees: Barbara Mathews, Maria Copak, Barbara Kaiser (BJ), Fern Fujimoto, Vickie Mihelich, Linda McKenna, Sue Carter, Elizabeth Eastmond, Kay Whiteside, Evie Rienstra, Jennifer Hayford, Vangie Gorman, Charlotte Byrne, Linda Adams, Dorothy Martinez, and Katherine Rolletta

MINUTES – Minutes from October 8, 2024 meeting were presented for changes/approval. Sue Carter moved to accept the minutes as presented; Elizabeth Eastmond seconded and motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beginning balance as of September 30, 2024 - \$9,851.10; Income - \$1,480.42; Expenses - \$600.00. Ending balance as of October 31, 2024 - \$10,731.52. Linda McKenna moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented; Kay Whiteside seconded; motion passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Tina Curran workshop – 8 attendees. Cost based on 15.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Discussion of end-of-year gifts for members. Linda McKenna entered a motion not to have gifts this year. Vickie Mihelich seconded. Motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:

- 501.3c – Fern Fujimoto presented information regarding process, fees, etc. From the CPA firm she contacted, the estimated set-up cost would be \$845 including filings and documents and State Incorporation Fee.
- Discussion followed about the benefits to the Guild as well as additional information from Charlotte Byrne, regarding “We the People” documentation preparation organization (\$500). Barbara Mathews entered a motion to table further discussion/action until after SCCQG meeting on January 11, 2025 when more specific information/forms which guilds need to be general non-profit (what RQG is now) or to be formal non-profit (501.3c) are discussed.

MEMBERSHIP: 100 members; 52 signed in; 1 guest, who later joined the Guild.

QUILTS OF VALOR

- Barbara Mathews entered a motion to approve Barbara Filbin as the new QOV chair, to replace Phyllis Hodel who is moving out of state. Maria Copak seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- The annual Veteran's Day Event at the Goeske Center was held on November 8, 2024. RQG presented 5 quilts to previously nominated veterans and several additional to veterans in attendance that day.

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- Vickie Mihelich has contacted Commemorative Air Force, Inland Empire Wing about possibly using their meeting room for RQG future presentations.
- Quilts of Valor Annual Sew Day – February 1, 2025. Sign-up to officially participate is on an individual basis. Participants are randomly chosen by the national organization throughout the day for prizes. Sue Carter will check with Goeske Center about using a room for that day.

SCCQG REPORT

- Charlotte Byrne reported on the October 12th meeting about “Affordable Alternatives for Guilds and Workshops”, noting it was recorded and can be found on the SCCQG website; scroll to the bottom of the screen and choose “Program Notes”; scroll down to October 2024 and follow links as needed.
- Update: Insurance has been issued and accepted by County. Use permit has been issued for 2024-2025. Dues is based on membership on June 30. Going forward preparations for filing will begin in July.

PROGRAMS

- November – Annual Gift Exchange. Packages/bags will be turned in at check-in table and double checked to confirm all projects to exchange are finished.
- December – Holiday Potluck
 - Black & White & Color Challenge due. Prizes for 1st place in each (4) category.
 - Discussion followed regarding release of funds and \$ amount for prizes for 3 challenges. Kay Whiteside entered a motion to increase budget for challenge prizes from \$200 to \$300 to allow for \$100 for each challenge. Maria Copak seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Elizabeth Eastmond entered a motion to release \$100 for current challenge. Barbara Mathews seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- **January 28, 2025 – Date changed due to conflict with Road 2 California**
 - Open Mike Night – share something from class/demo at Road, or a favorite tool or a sewing/quilting tip.
 - Sign up to participate with random drawing to determine the order of speakers.
- February 2025 – Speaker TBD (perhaps remotely). Information to follow as available.
- March 2025
 - Trash to Treasures
 - Dessert Potluck
 - Ugly Fabric Challenge Due (Challenge to be announced at December meeting).
- April 2025 – Video Presentation?
- May 2025 – Election of Officers
- June 2025 – Installation of Officers

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RETREATS

- Viña de Lestonac – May 2-4, 2025 - \$388/person
 - Non-refundable deposit of \$150/person due by November Guild Meeting with following \$ due on January and March.
 - 8 signed-up so far; cost based on 18 participants.
- Beach Retreat – October 23-26, 2025
 - Based on 18 participants, \$465/person. Deposit

COMMUNICATIONS

For information to post on the Calendar or Website, please send an email to the guild email: raincrossqg@gmail.com.

- When receiving email from raincrossqg@gmail.com asking for input to newsletter/blog, please take the time to reply even if to say you don't have anything to contribute.
- Discussion of possible "training" at a Guild Meeting to help members become more comfortable accessing the Blog/Website. Date TBD.
- Suggestion that for "emergency" situations such as having to cancel/reschedule a meeting or meeting location, a communications tree be established. 10 board members (on voluntary basis) would be responsible for texting 10 members each to get the word out faster. Board consensus was to move forward with this.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- **NEXT BOARD MEETING: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Kaiser