General Meeting Minutes March 7th, 2013

Business Items:

The meeting was opened at 7 pm, by Debi Mashak who welcomed everyone and the meeting was started.

Kathy Roberts moved to approve the January minutes and **Dawn Shirron** seconded. The Guild voted as a whole and passed the minutes unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was provided on each table. The beginning bank balance was \$4930.09. The ending bank balance was \$911.76 and the Capital One 360 balance was \$5614.78. The last page of the treasurer reports included a register report showing each check that was written or deposited. \$2000.00 was moved to the Capital One 360 account because we receive a better interest rate. The books are available at any time to review.

Financial Review: The review was completed in January and only 2 minor discrepancies were found. The first was a double entry and the other was using the wrong form. Way to go Lori George for making the books easy to read and follow!

The batting that was purchased last month was returned in the amount of 40 yards and we got a better deal! We also discovered that there is no requirement to use warm and natural batting. The board purchased 130 yards for less money than the original 40 yards we bought!

Social time can start at 6pm now! We were able to get the time extended from the community center.

Newsletter: Nobody answered the newsletter question correctly this month.

The board recently discovered there might be some issues when it comes to our bi-laws and how we handle a few things in terms of the non-profit status. Also, when we ask other organizations to help us they request a mission statement or a charter and ours no longer states that we are a charity. We need to work on adding that back in.

Another item recently brought to the boards attention was that our checks don't have a place for 2 signatures, but the check request form has a spot for 4 so the board has been signing that form. Please come to the board meeting to talk about any further bi-law issues. We will be present the changes at the April meeting and vote at the June meeting.

The next UFO challenge will start in September this year to allow for more time to finish projects to put in the Quilt Show.

If you see people wearing rosettes that means they are either new to the Guild or are visitors. Please introduce yourself to them!

Guild Programs & Other:

2013 Raffle Quilt: The quilt is being hung at Running Stitch and Alice is selling raffle tickets on our behalf and none of the fabric for the quilt was actually purchased there. Please tell her thank you!

2014 Raffle Quilt: The 2014 raffle quilt will be quilted by Darlene Girton at no fee to the guild and she is donating the batting! Thank you so much Darlene!

2015 Raffle Quilt: We are going to have a contest for the design for the 2015 raffle quilt. If your design or pattern is chosen it doesn't mean that you are automatically the chair person but you can certainly volunteer to be!

2013 Quilt Show: The next Quilt Show planning meeting will be Tuesday March 19th from 7pm-9pm. We will be discussing the standards for the show. It's imperative that if you aren't a paid Guild member by the last day of March

you can't enter anything in the show! Please make sure you have paid your dues. **Nicole Sedgewick** is the chair for setup at quilt show and publicity and she presented the fliers she made! If you would like to take some save the date fliers please do!!

HUGS: **Lori George**, The next workshop will be Saturday March 23rd. We have some new patterns and also received 2 large donations of boy fabric tonight! We are also going to have another folding party soon!

BOM: Julie Lund, next month will be 4 rectangles with opposite colors, it does include a pattern. Winner for this month is Julie Lund.

Tips & Tricks: Peggy Strain demonstrated how to use a skirt hanger to hang table runners. She also showed us some great plastic containers that can hold sewing needles or machine feet.

Presentation Blocks: **Dawn Shirron**: If you have at least 100 points you can present a block. The packets should come with a pattern and some fabric for the other members to make your block. The presenter should also bring a finished block to show during the meeting. You have 2 months to get the block back to the presenter.

Refreshments: Shirley Farnsworth & Jan Walker, Please sign up to bring refreshments, we are in need through the summer.

Fat Quarter Basket: Helen Dufur, if you turn in fat quarters you will receive a ticket; please turn them in to Helen.

UFO Challenge: You must bring your UFO to a meeting to show it and then it will be measured. You must show it during show & tell.

Workshops: **Linda Ferguson** is taking over the workshops!! Thank you **Linda**! Guild workshops are free of charge and are taught by other members. Workshops are typically held at either the Maple Valley or Covington library.

Membership: Leanne Shipley, Badge winner: Debbie Peri Evans. Rebecca gave us 2 patterns for aprons: Victoria Jonas & Lucille Kirshbaum won!

Tea Party: **Sandra Fountain**, the theme this year is garden party. Please see **Sandra** if you would like to volunteer to decorate a table. Please bring tea sandwiches, finger food and cookies. The challenge is a garden party handbag. There are a few kits made up and also a pattern available. Please also remember to bring your teacup.

Victoria Jonas, market manager for the Maple Valley Farmers market, accepting 2013 vendor applications, particularly for crafters and artisans.

A non guild member has a goal to make 40 baby quilts to bring to a new orphanage in Mexico opening in June and needs help with the guilting part. Please let us know if you are interested.

Monday March 18th **Debi** is having a workshop at her house for the advertising inside the businesses to make more projects. Please let her know if you are interested.

Please see **Debi** if you want to be a chair for an open position!

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl George