

Monthly Guild Meeting by Zoom Minutes—October 1, 2020

The meeting opened with Dotti Harris, President, reading the Guild purpose. There were 40 members logged into the meeting.

Regarding the August and September 2020 minutes, Dee White moved to approve the minutes as written; Paul Shirron seconded. The motion was passed by a vote of the participants.

Jill Ellis, Nominating Committee Chair, announced the following nominations for openings in the Guild:

Vice President: Lyn Bolster and Debi Mashak

Treasurer: Lori George and Debby Parry-Evans

Member at Large: Peg Steiner

There was a lot of discussion regarding voting. Our bylaws do not allow voting by proxy and we have never allowed voting by mail. Due the current situation where are not meeting physically, what provisions can we make to include those who do not or cannot participate by Zoom. Some suggestions included: voting by email or voting by Survey Monkey. One of the concerns is keeping everyone's vote anonymous. At the current time, since Zoom has a poll feature, we will use that to vote for officers.

Peggy Anderson, Treasurer, gave a report on the financial health of the Guild. This information is posted on the Guild website. Participants discussed ways to earn more income for the Guild, e.g., online auction, particularly for those items we have stored that were intended to be used for the Quilt Show Bazaar and the Auction. Another idea was to hold a garage sale at the Community Center when it opens.

Bobbie Mowery, Secretary, asked about the Rusty Barn show in November at the Puyallup Fair Grounds. She called Quality Sewing and Vacuum. They are preparing for the show, which at this time is still scheduled. Lyn Bolster, Raffle Quilt Chair, will call her contact and see what they know. Three people stated they would be willing to staff a Guild booth (Kathy Roberts, Judi Seferovich, and Amy Cullinan).

Lori George, Hugs, stated thus far in 2020, they have delivered 476 quilts; the usual average is 350 quilts per year. She also said, she and Debi Mashak would be doing classes on Facebook Live, probably after the first of the year. Debi Mashak said there is Quilt Show Page on Facebook and she encouraged members to share pictures of the quilts you would have entered in the 2020 Quilt Show.

Joan Calvery, Newsletter, spoke about the changes to the newsletter, i.e., what have you been doing, for sale items, and reviving who's who. The who's who form is on the Guild website; members can submit an article about what they have been doing during this pandemic. Bobbie Mowery asked about posting for sale items on the website. Joan has posted sale items on the general website.

Paul Shirron spoke about finishing an older UFO (from 1995). He made a generous offer to use his quilting services for no charge on any quilt that was a UFO from 1999 or earlier.

Zena LaRosa spoke about the BOM and asked if there was still interest in doing these. Several people said they were still interested, but were no longer sure of the time-line for completion of the blocks since we are not physically meeting. Zena said the block instructions will be posted on the website. Make your block, take a picture of the block and send it to Zena. She will assign a number to it and at the next general meeting will ask Dotti to choose a number. Bobbie Mowery said she and Zena would meet and create an instructional video for the BOM. This video would be posted on the Guild Facebook page. October's BOM pictures are due to Zena by October 31. Dee White said Secret Pal information has been sent to everyone who signed up. Several people said they had not received theirs. Secret Pal would focus on connection and correspondence and would run October through March. Bobbie Mowery said the Patriotic Blocks are ready for distribution. She will be at Debbie Russell's house on Tuesday, Oct 6, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., for participants to pick up their blocks.

Bobbie Mowery also announced a Holiday Postcard swap. Information is on the website and she is taking sign-ups through October 31.

Leanne Shipley, Membership Chair, announced two names for awards: Melanie Blount and Dee White. We have 131 members.

Debbie Russell announced our next speaker is Kathy Groves, bobkatquilts.com.

Judi Seferovich spoke about our December Christmas Party. She is working on a plan for us to celebrate the holiday season together (virtually).

Respectfully submitted by Bobbie Mowery, Secretary