

Decatur Quilters Guild Business Meeting

June 9, 2021

Helen Parker called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

There were 12 members present.

Minutes: Rita Ham reviewed May minutes and made a motion to place on file as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Sy McElvain reviewed the May Treasurer's Report and made a motion to place on file for audit.

Membership Report: 47 members.

Committee reports:

Audit Committee: Virginia Franklin and Erin Thompson will audit the Guild's 2020-2021 books.

By-Laws Committee: Mary Traxler, chair; Virginia Franklin, Pam Hissong, and Rita Ham. The Committee will meet to review DQG's By-Laws.

Caring and Sharing: Judi Van Matre has sent out cards for May

Education: No current plans.

Historian: Kathy Cain has volunteered to be the Historian. Please send her photos and info.

Hospitality: There is still time to volunteer to be the Hospitality Chair. Duties are to come early for the meeting and prep for the Hostesses... make coffee, hot water for tea, napkins, plates and cups and then clean up after meetings. Treats will begin again starting with the June 23 meetings. We will continue with the pre-wrapped items for the near future.

Newsletter: Jeanette Devereaux will be sending out the newsletter. Anyone who has completed a project or the Star BOM, please send her a photo and description.

Outreach: Anyone interested in sewing Hospice or Veterans Quilts, please contact Linda Boles.

Programs: Mary Traxler has volunteered to be the Program Chair. Members were asked to submit ideas for programs. Ideas to date include a Block of the Month, Book Reviews, Label Methods, Continuous Prairie Points, Machine Quilting with Rulers, Bonding Appliques, and UFOs. Helen introduced a new program, Member Spotlight, where she will select a member at the month's Business Meeting who will spotlight their Quilt Journey at the next meeting. This member will give a ten-minute presentation of what brought them to quilting and perhaps show two of their projects, an early one and a current one. Linda Boles will give a presentation at the June 23 meeting.

Quilt Fest: Quilt Fest is set for April 8 & 9, 2022. The board scheduled a Quilt Fest meeting after the June 23 Business meeting. All interested members please stay for this meeting. The theme will remain Ruby Celebration. A new Raffle Quilt is being sewn, "It's in the Cards", a Card Trick pattern. Continue to

make boutique items and Silent Auction items. The boutique will include a new item... "Mystery Quilt Brown Bags" ... collect smaller cut pieces of fabric of one color, or a similar pattern style such as "Child" or "Flowers", press and fold and place in small brown bags. We will mark with the Color and each bag will be sold for \$1.00 at the boutique. One way to weed your stash of smaller pieces. We can make the compiling of these bags as a program in the coming year. Start planning!

New Business:

Night Meetings: A motion was made by Sy McElvain, seconded by Jeanette Deveraux, to suspend the night meetings until further notice. The vote was 12-0.

Membership Book: A new membership book is being compiled. Please ensure your information is correct and your photo is updated by the end of the month. Mary Traxler is compiling.

Upcoming meetings:

Third Thursday Applique and Hand Sewing group: Third Thursday June 17 at Sy McElvain's. 825 Tohill Road. 9 a.m. Bring lunch and drink.

Craft Bazaar Sale: The Guild has reserved a booth at Mt. Zion's Harvest Fest Craft Show on Friday Aug. 27 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Plans are under way to sew additional tote bags, zipper bags, Travel Case bags, notebook covers, and tissue holders along with seasonal table runners and other projects.

Memorial for Bonnie Ruecker: A Memorial Service will be held for Bonnie Ruecker on Saturday, June 26 at 11 a.m. at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, 3465 N. MacArthur, Decatur.

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m. on a motion by Helen Parker.

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