

Missoula Quilters' Guild
Member Meeting
January 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Lisa-kay Prideaux and Shirley Frank

Guests were recognized and thanked for attending. New members were recognized and welcomed.

The minutes from the November 8, 2023 meeting were approved as submitted.

Secretary's Report

Lisa-kay read two thank you cards from the International Rescue Committee and the Tamarack Grief Resource Center for donated quilts.

Treasurer's Report

Shirley reviewed the December 2023 financial report. It will be posted on the guild website, and some reports were printed for members to take at the meeting.

Announcements

Quilt Show updates – Marcene Coburn, Susan Appelt

- Approximately 150 quilts are currently registered; several more were received at the meeting.
- Reminder – the last day to submit registration forms is the next meeting (February 14, 2024).
- All preparations for the show are on track.
- Marcene and Susan encouraged members to sign up for any shifts and jobs where they felt comfortable helping out.
- Jodi Bowser printed off the bookmarks and flyers and sent them to all the quilt stores. Members were encouraged to pick some up and drop them off or hang them up in local businesses though out town. The more advertisement we get, the more successful the show will be.
- Kathy Marks kindly volunteered to take over the role of Quilt Director, who handles the Thursday drop off and Saturday pick up. Thank you, Kathy!
- Stephanie Minnick is in charge of raffles and is starting to sell tickets for the quilt retreat.
 - The retreat center is at Robins Rest in Deer Lodge (up to 12 people)
 - 4 nights (Wednesday-Sunday). 1 night donated by Robins Rest; 3 nights paid for by the guild.
 - Tickets are \$10 each
 - This is a wonderful deal! It's a chance for you and 11 friends to go on a four-night retreat for FREE!
 - Tickets will be available at the February, March and April guild meetings.
- Heidi Bakula and Kathy Klinge are still collecting silent auction items.
 - Items do not need to be quilt-related, but do need to be in good condition. Things that sell well include antiques, artwork, pottery, woodworking items, etc.

Fundraising: Karen Winther

The Birthday Bundles winners were Marilyn Likes, Wendy Gay, Margaret Bachmeier and Ann Karsky. The fat quarter drawing winner was Judy Goudette-Hastings.

The fat quarter drawing for February will be SMALL SCALE PRINTS. The February birthday bundles will be FEBRUARY and MARCH.

Start looking around for what you will bring to the P.I.G.S. auction in March. Peggy Floyd has again agreed to emcee this fun event.

ETC Committee: Francine Miller

Committee members are Jewel Kodilla (board Vice President), Nancy Terwilliger-Grube (committee chair), Sue Dale, Marilyn Likes, Suzanne Sterrett, Anna Waller, Caroline Emmons and Jodi Bowser.

Marilyn Likes will teach the quilted jacket class on February 24th and Debbie Gross will teach the String Quilt Class on March 23rd. Thelma Moyer is returning in May for 3 classes. Chris Crawford will present Barn Quilts during our May meeting.

Program:

Cameron McMillan from A Clean Stitch gave an informative talk about Needles and Thread. He encouraged us to call or come into the shop with questions.

Bylaws: Shirley Frank and Karen Winther

Shirley and Karen spent several hours updating and amending our bylaws and presented their proposal to the membership. The proposed bylaws changes had been emailed out ahead of time for everyone to read. The changes discussed concerned the executive board elections years and a treasurer audit/review. Sue Olinger will write a procedure for reviewing the financial records. There was also discussion of a technology committee, which is required in the bylaws. Michelle Wieler volunteered to join this committee, which currently includes Vida Ann and Tava. The ETC committee is also proposing bylaws changes. Sue Olinger moved to accept the amended bylaws. Rose Rademan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Nominating Committee:

It's the time of year for a nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers to be voted on in March. We will be needing a new Vice President, Treasurer and Fundraising chair next year. Rose Rademan and Sally Wright volunteered to be our two person Nominating Committee. Please consider volunteering for one of these board positions. Thank you Rose and Sally!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47