

CBQG Board Meeting
July 26, 2019
Corrected Aug 12, 2019

Present: Esther Flitcroft, Bonnie Sanderson, Leeja Einglett, Brenda Gerbec
Judy Wood, Cory Unruh

Discussion Items

- Esther opened the meeting with comments that the ice cream social was a positive experience and requesting input to help lead the guild in positivity. Comments from the discussion included:
 - Improved communication – when there are symptoms of discontent, identify early before it escalates. Focus on the issue versus individuals or personalities.
 - Updated bylaws that will be clear cut will help address some of the controversial issues and provide more definitive guidelines of guild operations.
 - There also may be policy issues that may not be addressed in the Bylaws. While the Guild does not have separate policies and procedures, it may be helpful for the officers to keep notes of current practices within their role to help guide future officers that can be adapted as the need arises more quickly than every 5 years when Bylaws are updated. Example: treasurer to review checkbook at regular intervals with president.
 - Foster a welcoming, friendly atmosphere at meetings – name tags are useful to help get to know others, especially new members.
 - Guilds with large memberships have specific challenges in promoting inclusiveness and having smaller, specialty groups helps create more personal relationships. Having the retreat separate from the guild was one suggestion, however the retreat can have a unifying effect for guild members. More discussion needed.
- Bylaws Committee Update
 - The committee is making good progress on updating the bylaws and Esther has been attending meetings. *Correction: The goal is to have the bylaws reviewed by the BOD by the first of the year (2020) and ready to be voted on by the guild after board approval.*
- Advertisements by Individual Quilting Businesses
 - A couple years ago it was voted and approved by the Guild to have those with a quilting business to announce their services, classes, or products at the end of meetings (after Show & Tell), but not during the meeting period.
 - There is also a dedicated page on the guild's website with links to personal businesses for anyone seeking services. (Judy is in the process of updating).
 - Leeja had planned to include a page in the newsletter with similar information on the back page.
 - After discussion, to avoid duplication and help encourage those with businesses to feel welcome to advertise their services through the guild website that is open to the public, the following motion was made by Cory:

- “effective immediately a list of ads by individual quilting-related businesses will not be included in the newsletter, but the newsletter will have a link to the published list on the guild’s website. “
 - The motion was seconded by Judy with 5 members approving, and 1 abstaining.
- Bereavement and sympathy sentiments from the Guild
 - It is well acknowledged that the guild wants to pay sincere respect and honor to our members and their families who have passed away. However, it may be that a more individualized approach would be more acceptable than a set amount from the general membership fund.
 - Cory made the motion: “when a guild member passes away, the guild will provide the opportunity to collect donations from individual members at a meeting for a memorial chosen by the family instead of a set amount from the guild funds”. Leeja seconded the motion with unanimous approval from the board members present.
 - There is also a need for improved communication and process to make sure those who have had surgery or an illness to get a card from the guild or a comfort quilt when appropriate. In the past, there was a designated person who did this. Bonnie (the secretary) has cards with the guild logo but seldom gets information that may prompt sending a card.
- Meeting minutes
 - To improve the detail and completeness of meeting minutes, we will now require those making suggestions, leading discussions, or making motions and seconds, announce their full names to they can be recorded in the minutes.
- Programs – Leeja
 - August: Sarah Bliss Wright: Feed Sack Quilts
 - September: Flavin Glover (This will be the last class she's teaching before retirement)
 - October: "The Slow Quilt Movement" – Roundtable of guild members sharing hand-sewing techniques, such as Big Stitch, Hand Quilting, Hand Piecing, Needle-turn applique, etc.
 - November: Sheri Shumacher - Improv Quilting and Using Quilts for Other Crafts (
 - December 12th: Christmas Party @ Flavin Glover's house
 - Guild Challenge Due - Include Kona "Splash" (turquoise) and "Tangerine" (orange) fabric colors in a beach or ocean theme.
- The meeting was adjourned.

Recorded and submitted by:

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Secretary