

Bear Creek Quilt Guild
Member In-Person/Zoom Meeting Minutes
Bessie Mitchell House Grapevine, Texas

February 21, 2023

Vicky Kidd opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Bessie Mitchell House in Grapevine, Texas at 7:00pm. There were 42 members, 2 guests, and 2 new members in attendance. JoAnne Sheppard welcomed the guests and new members. January Member meeting minutes were reviewed, and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Kathi Runyan, seconded by Angela Hoss, and the motion passed. Betty Reisch shared with us her photo of her quilt in the recent Quiltmaker magazine and encouraged everyone to submit their quilts for publication as well.

Treasurer's Report: Selena Woodward tabled for next month.

Unfinished Business: Board voted to table the issue of the guild sponsoring 1 or 2 retreats per year as the survey results were inconclusive. Will continue with 2 retreats this year and will revisit when there is a need.

New Business:

Webmaster program- Jennifer Stewart, our new Webmaster, needs the Publisher software program to work on the guild website. Working with Mary Nalley, they researched what is needed, cost, etc. Cost will be \$57.00. Board passed the motion to pay for the program.

Bad weather cancellations- During periods of bad weather, it was discussed and decided that email notifications would go out if a guild general meeting needs to be cancelled. If a speaker is scheduled for that meeting, then we would work to reschedule the speaker.

Quilting Bees- Vicky asked if there is any interest in forming new Bees; Pam reported there is no interest presently. If there is an interest in short term Bees for specific projects or free sewing time, please let Pam Roark know, especially if you need assistance in starting one.

Sunshine and Shadows- Linda Mc Kinney is the new Chairperson. Please let her know if someone needs a little sunshine from us. Her contact info is in the directory.

Snacks at meetings- Going forward, individuals with a birthday in that meeting's month will be asked to be responsible to provide the snacks at that meeting. Birthday people may coordinate with each other what to bring or to not participate at all. Water will be provided by the Board. **Clarification-** Attendance on ZOOM does not count towards the "Near Perfect Attendance" drawing; 11 in person meeting attendance times are required.

Volunteer hours- Vicky encouraged every member to be sure to report volunteer hours via email to Deb Heid; especially important for maintaining 501(3)c status. Hours for volunteering at the quilt show, making Project Linus quilts, making Gatehouse quilt donations all count. Gatehouse quilt donations are needed, check the website for information on requirements.

Committee Reports:

Programs: Aleta announced the March speaker will be Trish Stuart. She has a workshop she will be presenting as well, titled, "Collage with a Twist;" cost is \$10.00 per member. Everyone is encouraged to sign up and attend.

Quilt Show: Beverly Douglas reported that meetings for the quilt show planning have begun; the theme will be “Soaring to New Heights.” It is to be held at the Irving Convention Center August 17-19, 2023. Please start thinking about entering. There will be a new category for wool; Mini quilts need to have names for identification and not called, “mini quilt 1, mini quilt 2, etc.” They can be entered into the show or the Mini Quilt Auction, but not both. If in the show, then they can be auctioned off the following year. More information and deadlines to follow.

Boutique: Kayleen Allen asked members to start thinking of items to make and sell at the quilt show in August.

Quilts of Valor: Beverly also reported that she has created a form for nominees; 1 nomination form per person; please make nominations using this form and make sure nominee has never received a QOV quilt. Longarmers and batting donations are needed.

Membership: None

Retreats—Mona Levingston reported the BCQG Retreat is coming up. Being held at Sunset Retreat April 13-16, 2023, for \$250.00. There are 18 registrants so far. Please sign up with Mona and let her know if you are interested in scheduling a massage or not.

Show and Tell items presented.

Door prizes given out.

The next BCQG member meeting – March 21, 2023, at 7pm, at Bessie Mitchell House.

The next BCQG Board meeting – NO MARCH BOARD MEETING

Business Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm; Presentation by Lisa Erlandson ended at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Longo, BCQG Secretary