

Bear Creek Quilt Guild  
Member In-Person Meeting Minutes  
Bessie Mitchell House Grapevine, Texas  
**May 16, 2023**

Vicky Kidd opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Bessie Mitchell House in Grapevine, Texas at 6:55 pm. She announced we would have the speaker first, then the business meeting. Aleta introduced the speaker, Officer (Ret.) Dwane Kelley, whose topic was, "Personal Safety and Self-Defense Training Class." He focused on tips for how to avoid or how to handle potential threats. His presentation and demos finished at 8pm. After a short break, Vicky called the meeting to order. Vicky thanked all the birthday folks for the snacks this meeting. Jo Anne Sheppard welcomed 1 guest and 1 new member. As of the beginning of this meeting, there are 19 members in the running for the "Near Perfect Attendance" drawing to be held at the December meeting. April Member meeting minutes were reviewed, and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Michelle Lewis, seconded by Teresa Gallagher, and the motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Selena Woodward reported April expenses of \$7871.47 (Retreat costs, speaker fees) and deposits of \$6260.00 (retreat fees, workshop fees, opportunity table, and member dues).

**Old Business:** There will be an August meeting with birthday refreshments and a Garage sale. Admission to the meeting will be a door prize donation.

Don't forget the June meeting potluck and mini-quilt challenge with prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> of \$75, 2<sup>nd</sup> of \$50, and 3<sup>rd</sup> of \$25!

**New Business:**

- a) **E-Blasts** will all be sent on Thursdays, so please check your emails. If sending an e-blast please be sure to send the information to the Guild mailbox, and a copy to Vicky as well.
- b) **Newsletter deadline** is the Saturday after the General meeting. Please get all articles, items, etc. to Candy by the deadline so she can begin putting the newsletter together.

**Committee Reports:**

**Programs:** Aleta announced there is a barn quilt painting workshop tomorrow, 9am, at Bear Creek Park, if anyone is interested in attending cost is \$40.00 to include supplies. Everyone is encouraged to sign up and attend. For July there is a Saturday workshop, sign up is in the back if interested. It is given by Dorene Augustine and cost is \$15.00 to pay for the pattern; non-members may attend at a cost of \$55.00.

**Quilt Show:** The quilt show theme this year is "Soaring to New Heights." It is to be held at the Irving Convention Center August 17-19, 2023. Please start entering now and you can do so electronically. If you are having trouble, please reach out to Deb Kay for assistance. Tickets are available for purchase tonight for \$12.00, as well as pre-orders for t-shirts \$18.00 tonight, \$20.00 at the door. Also, junior entries are encouraged.

**Boutique:** Kayleen Allen is asking for members to keep making items to sell at the quilt show in August. A great big thank you for what has been donated so far!

**Fall retreat:** September 14-17, 2023, at Sunset for \$270.00. Please sign up with Mona Levingston.

**Volunteer hours:** Deb Heid reported volunteer hours are improving. Please keep reporting your hours and all donations are appreciated.

**Show and Tell items were presented.**

**Door prizes given out.**

The next BCQG member meeting – June 20, 2023, at 7pm, at Bessie Mitchell House.

The next BCQG Board meeting – June 6, 2023, 6:30pm, on ZOOM.

**Business Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.**

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Longo, BCQG Secretary