

Quilters Unlimited (QU) Board of Director's Meeting on 26 August 2014

Meeting was called to order by President Cindy Chavez at 7:05pm at the Pohick Regional Library.

The following Board members were present: Cindy Chavez (President), Denise Racz (Vice President), Louise Sutara (QU Show Chair), Marilyn Owendoff (Nominations Chair), Cecile Hannaway (Membership Chair), Jeanne Coglianesse (Web Maintenance) and Diane Cairns (Artisans United). Also in attendance were the following Chapter Presidents: Joyce Bounds (Annandale), Betsy Stone (Burke), Anne Argentieri (Fairfax), Carolyn Fulmer (Haymarket), Andrea Gribble (Mt. Vernon), Susanne Jones (Reston), Anne Hyde (Springfield) and Connie Sherrill (Vienna). Betsy Stone took the minutes of the meeting in Gen Meyer's (Secretary) absence.

Denise Racz made a motion to accept the minutes from the 18 June 2014 QU board meeting. Minutes adopted as published.

Officers' Reports:

President:

- President Cindy Chavez welcomed everyone to the 2014-2015 "Kick off" meeting.
- After several years as QU's registered agent, Rosemary O'Brien, is ready to relinquish this responsibility. Cindy requested attendees query chapters for a replacement. Tasks required at the beginning of each fiscal year have been completed (e.g. filing paperwork with the State Corporation Commission and payment to the State of Virginia).
- Cindy Chavez reported that QU's prior President, Cindy Grimord, sorted and organized documents from the QU storage shed but was unable to complete this huge task before moving to North Carolina. In her report, Cindy Grimord recommended that the current QU secretary search for missing documents, primarily annual and board minutes from 2000 to present.
- Copies of the certificate of liability insurance, IRS letter granting 501c(3) status, QU reimbursement form, and other documents that members may need will be uploaded to the web site.
- QU Board Meeting dates for the rest of fiscal year are: Nov 5, Feb 4, May 6, and In/Out meeting on Jun 17, 2015.

Vice President: Denise indicated she had not yet received pass down information from previous VP and was concerned about specific responsibilities. Cindy shared the VP's responsibilities as outlined in the By-Laws. Denise will contact last year's VP.

Treasurer: Iris Salcewicz was not present but had provided Cindy Chavez with copies of the proposed QU budget and as well as the Quilt Show budget. Both were distributed to the attendees.

Newsletter: Lynn Gayer was not present but was represented by Anne Argentieri. Cindy reiterated the newsletter responsibilities as outlined in the By-Laws. QU newsletters should be done quarterly; next one in mid-October. Chapters were invited to submit articles. It was suggested that QU board minutes be published in the newsletter.

Quilt Show:

- Louise Sutara announced that the challenge for the 2015 show is yellow and 2 other colors.

- The Beatles Quilt Challenge quilts will be hung at QU's 2015 show.
- Consortium of Quilts (Hazel Carter) wants to show yellow and white quilts in their show in 2016.
- By Sep 8, chapter presidents need to send the name, e-mail address, and phone number of their quilt show representative to Louise (LASutara@yahoo.com).
- The contract with the Dulles Expo Center has not been signed pending assurance the Expo Center construction will be completed by end of May.
- Quilt magazines request that ads be submitted 6-9 months prior to publication.
- The first meeting of the Quilt Show Committee will be held at 7pm on Sep 15 at the TJ Library on Route 50. The second meeting will be held on Oct 20, hopefully at Oakton Library.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Cecile is redesigning the cover of the directory. Entire directory will be printed landscape. The company printing the directory may also do the mail-out.

Web Master:

- Jeanne Coglianese provided guidance to chapter presidents regarding access to their QU e-mail addresses and also how to maintain their chapter's portion of the QU website. If chapters want their newsletters available on the public side of the web site, that can be done.
- Just before the Board meeting, Jeanne received an e-mail from the web host indicating that as of Nov 1 they are no longer providing free e-mails as part of managing the web page. Going forward it may cost \$5 per e-mail address per month. Jeanne moved that the budget be increased by \$2,000 to cover e-mail support should QU need to subscribe to that service. Motion passed.

New Business:

The 2014-15 QU budget was presented. The storage unit cost was increased to reflect the actual amount spent in 2013/2014. Budget adopted with corrections.

Announcements:

QU Fall Event: Tula Pink is the guest speaker on Sep 16 at the Ernst Cultural Center, Northern Virginia Community College. Program is free to QU members; nonmembers are \$5. Free parking is available in B12-15. First 50 people wearing substantial amounts of pink will get a free pattern.

Closing:

Next meeting will be Nov 5.
Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Submitted by Betsy Stone (Acting Secretary)
9 September 2014