

## **NSQG Board Meeting June 4, 2016**

Meeting was held at the Quilt Basket in York NE

### **Present:**

Marty Kleppinger, President 2016  
Janet Wilson, President Elect 2017  
Dee Augustin, Treasurer 2015-16  
Terry Heessel, Secretary 2016-17  
Shirley Spence, Advisor 2016  
Susan Smith, Region I Director 2016-17  
Nancy Peters, Region II 2015-16  
Barbara Shepherdson, Region III 2016  
Mary Kampfe, Awards 2015-16  
LeeAnn Meduna, By-Laws & Policies 2015-16  
Mary Olson, Historian 2016  
Merikay Berg, Quilt Mom 2016  
Sandi Kosch, Scholarship  
LeAnne Killion, Threads  
Karen Ruwe, QNE 16 Co-Chair  
Chris Frazer, Newsletter Editor  
Dianne Thomas, IQSC/Friends of IQSC Liaison

### **Absent:**

Jill Vanderboegh, Region I Director 2015-16  
Susan Schoenauer, Region II Director 2016-17  
Jan Dancer, Region III Director 2016-2017  
Sheila Green, Education & Publicity  
Katie Wilson, Library Project  
LaVonne Dunetts, Membership  
Susan Weber, QNE Site Selection 2016  
Bonnie Kucera, QNE Site Selection 2016, QNE 16 Co-Chair  
Kay Grimminger, NE State Fair Liaison  
Chris Wiegers, Website  
Kathy Murphy, QNE 16 Co-Chair  
Denise Weibel-Rycek, QNE 17 Co-Chair  
Rita Weber, QNE 17 Co-Chair  
Leslie Martin, QNE 17 Co-Chair  
Jan Sittler, NE State Fair Superintendent

The meeting was opened at 1:00 P.M. by President Marty Kleppinger.

Motion by Nancy Peters, seconded by Janet Wilson to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

First Quarter		
Balance Forward 12/31/2015		\$48,520.85
Adjustment Threads 15*	(\$769.59)	
Beginning Balance		\$47,751.26
Deposits:		
Membership	4,895.00	
Raffle Quilt	633.00	
Newsletter Ads	1,265.00	
Scholarships	331.00	
Threads 16	3,530.00	
Total Deposits		\$10,654.00
Expenses:		
Administration	228.15	
QN 16	595.94	
Awards	89.50	
Board Mtngs	400.21	
Natl Qltrs Day	397.19	
Newsletter	944.34	
Threads 16	614.97	
QN 18	1000.00	
Total Expenses		(\$4,295.61)
Balance 3/31/2016		\$54,109.65

\*An adjustment was made regarding two checks written after first of the year because of a late final report. Approved by president and accountant.

\*\*No money was budgeted for earnest money paid Ramada Plaza for QN 18

Placed on file the treasurers report as presented.

## **District Director's Reports**

**District 1:** No Report

**District 2:** Report was submitted by Susan Schoenauer, and read into the minutes by President.

“Preparations for the Region 2 Quilt Gathering August 27<sup>th</sup> at the Immaculata Monastery in Norfolk are almost complete. Speakers for the morning and afternoon have been lined up. Lunch will be provided by Hy-Vee at a cost of \$11.50 per person. (Build your own cold cut sandwich, potato chips, fruit salad, potato salad, brownie, coffee, tea and lemonade. Coffee and muffins/coffee cake will also be served to the ladies in the morning.) I’m working on the table decorations.

Fliers have been sent to all the quilt guilds/clubs in Region 2 that I know of. Fliers have also been sent to the local quilt shops. The information was e-mailed to Chris Frazer to be included in the June NSQG newsletter and I will take fliers to Quilt Nebraska to put on the information table for those interested.

The only thing left to do besides finishing the table decorations is to line up a few volunteers to be at the Door Greeters table, help with coffee and get the lunch on the table.”

**District 3:** The report was given by Barbara Shepardson.

“The date was April 2, 2016 the location was Funk NE. The day was held at the Funk Community Center and started with rolls and coffee at 9:30 with the program starting at 10:00. The ladies were welcomed by state president Marty Kleppinger followed by a demonstration by Carolyn Lane of Westerville, NE on packet Potholders. Then Kristi Purintun from Overton introduces us to fabric coloring. The mornings featured speaker was Ruth Johnson from Holdrege with Vintage Aprons. This was followed by a demonstration on making a sewing machine mat by Kathy Beck from Elwood. The we finished the morning by talking about items made for charity projects. Carolyn Lane demonstrated an easy way to make pillow cases. Plum Creek Quilters and Prairie Quilt Guild showing items from some of their charity projects. The morning was ended by Barbara Shepardson of Mason City giving tips on strip piecing for quilts.

We broke for lunch served by Grinders Food Truck from Holdrege.

The afternoon was spent with Diane Volk Harris from Quiltmaker with her presentation of 100+ Small Quilts. We presented door prizes to 12 ladies and our presenters for a total of 20 quart jars with flowers.

The day was attended by 80+ ladies. The total cost for the day was \$420.00.”

### **Committee Reports**

**Awards:** Report presented by Mary Kampfe.

#### Outstanding Nebraska State Quilt Guild Award

This award is designed for a Quilt Guild in Nebraska that performs above and beyond the regular duties of a Quilt Guild. They must perform an ongoing special project(s) or a onetime major project to better their guild and their Community.

A nominating Quilt Guild must be in existence for at least 5 years

- It can be different community causes supported, but something that is done every year.
- At least one nomination letter must come from the community group that the Guild is benefiting
- Rather than a medal to the winning Quilt Guild, a plaque will be awarded.
- A guild may only receive the award once and commit to continuing support to their community.

It will be judged as all other awards for Quilt Nebraska by the awards committee.

**By-Laws:** No Report

**Education:** Sheila Green submitted a report and read by the President.

#### Nebraska 150 Quilt Competition News

“News Releases were sent to major NE newspapers. I have no clue how many printed the info sent. I know that the Omaha World Herald did and they have the largest circulation in NE. I’ve attached the News Release in case any of the Board members would like to submit to their papers. They may have better luck than I do! (Please contact Marty Kleppinger or Sheila Green for the news release.)

I’ve been working on the traveling schedule for the 3 winning and 6 honorable mention quilts. There are a few spaces remaining. Again, I’m open to suggestions from the group as to who else to contact. The quilts need a secure area. They will be pinned to two pieces of black drape, each 7’x7’. They could be pinned to a wall, hung on 2 quilt stands or pipe. Some dates have been confirmed for the Traveling Exhibit.”

**Library Project:** Katie Wilson submitted a report and read by the President.

“The quilt book I selected to send to Nebraska public libraries this year is Welcome Baby – 9 Adorable Quilt Patterns, published by Martingale & Company. The list price of the book is \$12.99. Martingale gave us a 55% discount and free shipping to my address, making our cost \$5.59 per book.

The book has fewer pages than the two previous books, which reduced the cost of postage to \$2.20 per book (first class rate) compared to the lowest available rate of \$2.48 per book in previous years (library rate).

We sent the book to 273 libraries, and we have received many thank-you notes from libraries around the state.”

Expenses for this year are:

Books	1,526.07
Labels and package tape	19.87
Bookplates, printing of letters to libraries	45.99
Mailing envelopes	32.22
Postage, 1 <sup>st</sup> class rate of \$2.20 per book	<u>600.60</u>
Total	\$2,224.75

**Membership Report:** Submitted by LaVonne Dunetts and read by the President

As of June 3, Membership stands at:

Renewals	401
New	68
Total	469

The full report will be attached to the minutes placed on file.

**Nominations Committee:** Janet Wilson, President-Elect, presented the report.

“I would like to thank the members of the nominating committee that helped fill nominations for the slate of officers. They are Sandra Kosch, Kay Grimminger and Jan Hibbs.

We would like to submit the following names to be placed in the nomination for the slate of officers at our annual meeting in July.

President-Elect:	Cindy Scheinost, Scottsbluff
Treasurer:	Marj Sperling, St. Paul
Region I:	Sue Brown, Hastings
Region II:	Gloria Miller, Columbus
Region III:	Mary Olson, Holdrege

This slate will be in the June Newsletter.

The committee would also like to suggest a revision of the Nominating Committee Timeline. There is so much technology available to us, the timeline needs to be revised. President Kleppinger didn't feel that a motion was necessary to implement the new timeline. The new timeline will need to be included with the guidelines to the President-Elect for future reference.”

**Raffle Quilt:** Marikay Berg stated there are a few ticket left to sell. She anxiously waits for the convention to see who will win.

**Scholarships:** Sandi Kosch stated that the letters were sent out to the 4 winners: Martha Bergquist, Oxford NE; Donna Ernesti, Columbus NE; Jeanne Scheuneman, Schuyler NE; Kelly Schott, Elwood NE. Congratulations to them. QN 16 said that they have received their registrations.

**Site Selection:** No Report

**Threads Across Nebraska:** Report given by LeAnne Killion.

There are to be 24 vendors with 7 new ones this year. The class schedule is out in the newsletter and will be posted on the website and Facebook. There are brochures and posters available today. LeAnne will not be at the QN 16 this year, so she asked that someone to make an announcement and have the brochures and posters available. There will be a volunteer form on the website and on Facebook. LeAnne will be contacting county fairs about having brochures/posters, if anyone here can help out by taking some for their local fairs it will save on postage.

**Quilt NE 16:** Karen Ruwe gave an update for the registration received. 244 Attending, 60 for Quilt History Day, 14 Vendors (7 new, 6 from out of state).

**Quilt NE 17:** 4 National Teachers and Quilt History is set.

#### **Old Business:**

Motion by Mary Olson, seconded by Marikay Berg to approve the outstanding Nebraska State Quilt Guild Award. Motion carried.

President Kleppinger state that she is still missing some of the committee year end reports, they need to be turned in ASAP.

#### **New Business:**

Board Members and the Committees will be introduced at Quilt NE 16 on Friday night.

A suspicious email was received by the Treasurer, Dee Augustin, requesting funds to wired. The email came from a member of the Board. It was a scam. So anyone from the board/committee requesting funds need to have personal contact with the Treasurer. Contact the Treasurer by phone or in person prior to submitting the expense voucher or emailing a letter requesting the funds.

**IQSC/Friend of IQSC:** Diane Thomas gave the following report:

- Finished the new expansion
- Saw a record number of guests
- Hosted scholars from around the world
- Increased the number of yearly exhibitions
- National Quilting Day continues to grow with around 800 participating this spring.

The big news with the FRIENDS group is that upcoming members of the Study Center will now automatically become members of FRIENDS. We hope museum members will up their memberships to reflect the change.

This spring brought Give to Lincoln Day which I do not have the totals for yet but is always a good fundraiser for the group.

June brings the International Board meeting and in conjunction with that they are holding three class fundraisers with Victoria Findley Wolfe, Polly Minick and Linda Colash.

Marikay Berg sent a letter to the President, Marty Kleppinger, and the Members of the Board, stating that she has seen a decline in the number of awards given at our yearly convention banquet. She

requests that a search into the process for additional clarification takes place. The President asked if she (Merikay) would to form a committee to look into this matter.

The next meeting will be at Quilt Nebraska, July 31, 2016 in Lincoln Nebraska.

President adjourned the meeting at 1:52 P.M.

Terry L. Heessel  
Secretary 2016-2017