

NEBRASKA STATE QUILT GUILD
Board and Committees
April 9, 2011
Material Girl, Grand Island, NE

President Susan Weber called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. It was noted that this is an open meeting and any one is welcome to attend. The following members and committee chairs were present:

Susan Weber-President	LeeAnn Meduna-Secretary
Patty Young-Treasurer	Sandra Anderson-Historian
Laura Franchini-Region II	Pam Thomas-Region III
Esther Kleinkauf-Region III	Sandy Hanson-Advisor
Darice Cecil-Membership	Gloria Bernadt-Region I
Sharon Clark-Region I	Sandra Kosch-President Elect
LeAnne Killion-Threads& Publicity	Sheila Green-Education
Sheila Beins-Assisant	Elizabeth Kannedy-QNE 2012 Committee
Pat Varner-Awards, QNE 2012 Chair	

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of the last meeting were corrected and approved via email.

TREASURER'S REPORT

First quarter income is \$11,861.72 and first quarter expenses of (\$4,200.96) with a net income of \$7660.76.

Total assets, including checking, savings and CD's are \$95,923.42. President Weber directed the secretary to include the liabilities in the minutes. They are: QNE12 \$35,056, QNE 11 \$48,301.50, Threads 11 \$275, Threads 12 \$275, Total - \$83,907.50.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS REPORTS

Region I- A Quilt Gathering is in the planning stages and will be announced later. They also received information from an extension educator. A Quilts of Valor challenge is being planned for the 4-Hers statewide. They would like the NSQG and the quilters across Nebraska to be informed of the project so the young people involved can be supported.

Region II- A Quilt Gathering will be held on June 4, 2011 at the College of St Mary in Omaha, NE. Laura Franchini and Sandy McMillan will speak in the morning, promoting NSQG, speaking on various events of the state guild. An elegant lunch is planned with Peg Pennell as the lunch time speaker. Peg will speak on challenge quilts made for Quilt NE. A "Make and Take" is planned for afternoon.

Region III- See Report. A Quilt Gathering will be held April 30, 2011, at the Senior Center in Ogallala, NE from 1-4pm. Louisa Renchen will present a lecture on her recent

travels to India with Jinny Beyer. Lori Baker will present a trunk show of quilts and specialty garments. This event has been advertised via flyers mailed to quilt shops and guilds, and emails to NSQG members and media sources in Region III.

Revised Committee guidelines were handed out to those present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Quilt NE 2011- The chair, Sue Tillemans was unable to be present at this meeting. Some feedback from some NSQG members included confusion of the April 29th postmarked date. It was clarified to the president by Sue that there was to be a lottery from the registrations postmarked by this date.

Pam Thomas made a motion to email current members to clarify the registration booklet QNE 2011 that registrations postmarked on or before April 29, 2011 will be by lottery pursuant to policies and procedures- "Registration will be by lottery. Quilt Nebraska will abide by the non-profit status rules that no member will receive preferential treatment. (Amended 10/9/04)"
Esther Kleinkauf seconded. Motion passed.

It was also confirmed that the Bonus Package will be included in the quilt drawing at the Saturday night banquet.

There was discussion regarding that the budget of Quilt NE is voted on at the January meeting, well after the contracts need to be signed with the teachers and if there needs to be some guidelines regarding the number of national teachers or maybe the amount available for national teachers be a percentage of budget. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

If there are questions about Quilt NE 2011, please contact President Susan Weber.

Quilt NE 2012-No national teacher contracts have been signed, just verbal commitments. There was discussion about the revised teacher contracts. The Secretary and/or the Assistant will look in the past records and make sure the QNE 2012 chair has the current contract.
Vendor letters will be sent out shortly and the logo has been developed.

Awards-The committee has been selected and they are asking for more nominations.

By Laws and Policies-Susan Weber is sending copies of all the past By Laws from the presidential files to Faye for her overview.

Education-Discover NE is going well. National Quilting Day went well with 750+ attending. The attendance was evaluated and was noted that 57 attendees were from other states, 49% were from Lancaster Co. (61% last year), and so more attendees from

outside of Lincoln attended. Sheila is working on a proposal to ask NSQG for sponsorship for next year. She will put it on next meeting's agenda.

Historian- See Report.

Letters of Thanks were received from last year's librarian and they were filed.

On March 18, 2011 the following was put into the archives at Love Library:

A scrapbooks, "In the Beginning" compiled by Ann Reimers and scrapbooks from years 1985-2005.

The last five years of scrapbooks, save 2010 which Jean Ford, past historian has, are in the historian's possession.

Library-The chair reports that they are in the midst of putting the book s (Chintz Appliqué: From Imitation to Icon) in envelopes and applying mailing labels.

Membership- See report.

Total membership is 547, up from last year.

Raffle Quilt- 4200 tickets have been sold. There are 29 note card packets left. Vicki Skuodas is asking for helpers to sit with the raffle quilt during the Omaha Quilt Guild Show at LaVista on June 23-25, July 4 in Seward, and July 8-9 in Alliance.

Site Selection-Susan and Sandra report that they have visited Concordia College in Seward, NE and say that it is very user friendly--all buildings in close proximity to each other. There has been a staffing change and they were unable to get hard numbers but will go back to get more information.

Nebraska State Fair-It was noted that the entry book/info should be available online sometime in April.

Susan Weber wrote a letter to the State Fair Board as directed by the NSQG board regarding our ability to put our brochures during the State Fair. We are awaiting written consent.

Money was sent to the IQSC in memorial for NSQG members form 2009-2010. A letter of thanks was received from IQSC- Pat Crews, PhD.

Threads Across Nebraska-28 vendors have committed so far and there is room for 40 vendors. Letters will go out to guilds requesting quilts. The quilt form for this will be available online. Brochures were in the Shop Hop bags and also given to quilt shops across Nebraska. The date for Threads is October 7-8, 2011.

Publicity-Darice has the Nebraska Broadcaster email list and is able to send a press release to them. A contact number and email address is needed on the press release or it won't be advertised. LeAnne will address it in the June newsletter.

Website- No report.

Surfin' Stitchers- No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Removal of Names from Surfin' Stitchers that are not members- The board will consider adding email addresses to the membership book and then eliminate Surfin' Stitchers.

Policies and Procedures on website- Tabled.

Convention Advisory Board- Tabled

Confidentiality/Disclaimer Concerns- An NSQG member wants the board to be aware that whatever we put on the website would be available to all. It was duly noted.

Bonding of NSQG Treasurers and others-Our current policy carries a Commercial Crime Coverage section. It shows Employee Theft-blanket with \$100,000 of coverage with no deductible for \$139. It is much less expensive than bonding and gives us a good level of protection.

Quilt Expo- October 20-22, 2011- It will be held at Pershing Auditorium in Lincoln, NE. Our application for booth space was accepted. Discussion was held as to what to put in the booth. Suggestions were the raffle quilt, NSQG brochures and maybe some other quilts. LeAnne will look into the space allotted.

NEW BUSINESS

Marketing Proposal-

Sandy Kosch made a motion to sell 2012 raffle quilt note cards in conjunction with the 2012 raffle quilt, beginning with the unveiling of the 2012 raffle quilt at Quilt NE 2011 in Kearney, NE.

Gloria Bernadt seconded. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee- The committee members are Cindy Scheinost, Connie Olson, Shirley Spence, Sandra Kosch, and Susan Weber. The slate of officers is as follows:

President Elect: none yet.

Secretary: Debbie Krugman, Grand Island

Region I: Kay Grimminger, Grand Island

Region II: LaVonne Dunnetts, Omaha

Region III: Shirley LaVene, Loomis

Registration Booklet cost- The registration booklet costs about \$3 to print and \$1 to mail. It will be discussed at the June meeting the options available to offset these costs.

OTHER BUSINESS

A request for a change in our convention dates from the Garfield, Loup and Wheeler County Fair office was received. They will be contacted that we are unable to change as the date is set in our by-laws.

The Knight Museum and Sandhills Center in Alliance, NE is making plans for a 2 day conference of learning, classes, lectures and displays which will be held on July 8-9, 2011. It will be in honor of the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War. They had asked for speakers and quilts of that era. Because their deadline was before this board meeting, Susan suggested they get a local guild to do the quilt show. Susan Weber has volunteered to do a presentation on Civil War quilts for this event.

Sheila Green announced an IQSC event "A Night at the Museum...Destination Marseilles" to be held April 30, 2011 from 6-8pm. Reservations must be made by April 26, 2011. More information is at www.IQSCfriends.org.

Governor's Mansion Quilt Proposal-

Sandra Kosch made a motion that the NSQG support financially the creation of a "Governor's Mansion Quilt" as a gift to be given to the Governor's Mansion for permanent display. It will include a design submission process for the design of the quilt.

Esther Kleinkauf seconded. Motion passed.

NSQG has the opportunity to create, design, sew, and quilt a special quilt to be given to the Governor's Mansion. It will be on permanent display to be seen by all visitors who tour the Governor's Mansion.

Design applications will be accepted and the final design decision will be made by the Governor's Mansion Residence Commission. Other NSQG members would work on the quilt.

Sandra Kosch made a motion that the President appoint an ad hoc committee to develop and follow the timeline for the Governor's Mansion Quilt.

LeeAnn Meduna seconded. Motion passed.

Sandra Kosch, Sheila Green, Merikay Gengenbach, Darice Cecil and the selected designer were appointed to this committee.

"Images of Homesteading"

Sandra Kosch made a motion that the NSQG support the "Images of Homesteading" in commemoration of the Homestead Act of 1862 Project which includes a design submission process for the quilt and gift of the quilt to the Heritage Center at the Homestead National Monument of America, Beatrice, NE.

Laura Franchini seconded. Motion passed.

Susan Weber and Sandra Kosch were invited to the Homestead National Monument of America in Beatrice NE on February 14, 2011. Park Ranger, Susan Cook, gave them a tour and then asked if the NSQG would create, design, sew, and help quilt a special quilt for the 150th year celebration of the signing of the Homestead Act of 1862 by President Abraham Lincoln.

Sandra Kosch made a motion that the President appoint an ad hoc committee to follow the established timeline for the “Images of Homesteading”, the 150th Anniversary Quilt.

Patty Young seconded. Motion passed.

Susan Weber, Sandra Kosch, Merikay Gengenbach, Darice Cecil and selected designer were appointed to this committee.

The Images of Homesteading quilt and the Governor’s Mansion quilt will each have their own committee for design selection.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45pm. Next meeting is June 25, 2011 at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney, the location of Threads this year. A visit to the Kearney Holiday Inn, the Quilt NE 2011 location, is planned.