

## NSQG Board Minutes April 5, 2014

Date: 4-5-2014 Time: 10:00am Place: Material Girl Quilt Shop, Grand Island NE  
Time meeting opened 10:04 am recorder # Folder 1, File 08

Presiding Officer, President Mary Weich Secretary, Janet Wilson

President Mary Weich opened the meeting at 10:04 AM.

Members in attendance: 18

Mary Weich, President  
Shirley Spence, President Elect  
Janet Wilson, Secretary  
Susan Seidel, Treasurer  
Mary Dudzinski, Region II Director  
Jan Hibbs, Region III Director  
Kay Grimminger, NE State Fair Liaison  
Fay Kliewer, By-Laws and Policies  
Jayne Schlosser, Historian  
Katie Wilson, Library Project  
Miriam Peterson, QNE Site Selection  
Pam Thomas, QNE Site Selection  
Carol Brandl, Threads Across Nebraska  
Sharron Nejedly, QNE 14 Chairman  
Terry Heessel, QNE 14 Co Chair  
Kelly Thomalla, QNE 14 Co Chair  
Gloria Miller QNE 15  
Sandra Kosch QNE 15

Members Absent: 14

Alice Cruz, Advisor Marilyn Rembolt, Region I Director Janet Atkinson, Region II Director  
Barb Shepardson, Region III Director Betz McMahon, Newsletter  
Dianne Thomas, IQSC/Friends of IQSC Liaison Jan Sittler, NE State Fair Superintendent  
Cindy Scheinost, Awards Shelia Green, Education Darice Cecil, Membership  
Susan Schoenauer, Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales Chris Wiegers, Website  
Penni Jensen, Publicity Deb Austin, QNE 15

### **Secretary's Report** by Janet Wilson

Corrections made:

page 7, Under Polices, Fay was spelled wrong on the second line, changed from Kay to "Fay reported."  
page 4, under Expenses then under Scholarships for QNE, "two scholarships were paid by donations given at QNE 2012" by attendees, not by "Friends".  
page 11, Under Other Business, under the secretary's records there was an extra word "year" in the sentence, the extra word "year" was dropped.

After corrections were made a motion was made by Susan Seidel to accept the minutes as revised, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Hibbs  
Motion carried.

The corrected minutes were to be emailed to Jayne Schlosser, Historian.

**Treasures Report** A written report was handed out, (copies attached) and a verbal report was given by Susan Seidel.

**NSQG 2014 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**

*NSQG 2014 Quarterly Report 1<sup>st</sup> sheet*

Total Income	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	Year to Date
	\$11,218.49	\$11,218.49
Total Expenses	\$10,295.85	\$10,295.85
Net Income	\$922.64	\$922.64

*First Quarter 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet*

Checking

Great Western Bank \$31,148.29

Savings Account

Great Western Bank \$30,381.07

CD's	current balance	issue date	Interest rate	Maturity Date
xxx801	\$12,752.24	10-14-09	0.35%	4-14-14 (18 month)
xxx214	\$12,466.41	4-24-13	0.30%	4-24-15 (42 month)
xxx215	<u>\$12,551.69</u>	4-24-13	0.35%	4-24-16 (36 month)
	\$37,770.34			

Total \$99,299.70

Susan Seidel noted that the first CD is due on the 14<sup>th</sup>. The CD's are set up so that one comes due each year. She proposed that if it was acceptable with the board, the one coming due be reallocated for 36 months, we would then have a CD come due each April.

This was okay with the board.

The issue of the \$250.00 budgeted in QNE for video was discussed at this time.

This issue came up at the QNE in Omaha for extra IT work.

A motion by was make by Jan Hibbs that the guild pay the \$250.00 to the North Platte Convention Committee 2014 and second that we do not extend this practice at this time.

Seconded by Carol Brandl.

Motion carried.

Susan Seidel asked that people turn in any expense they have to her.

(We did not make and pass a motion to accept the Treasures Report.)

**District Director's Reports**

*Region 1*

No one was present from Region I, there was no report.

Mary Weich presented the name of Sharon Clark to be considered for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year director for Region I. Sharon Clark said she would be willing to serve.

Mary Weich will appoint her with approval of the board.

Motion made by Susan Seidel to accept Sharon Clark as a Region I Director, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Wilson, Motion carried

President Mary Weich passed out a copy of the NSQG Board of Directors. She will mail copies to those not present.

*Region II* Report sent by email, see attached copy.

Mary Dudzinski read the report sent by Janet Atkinson about the Region II meeting.

A Region 2 meeting has been scheduled for Sept, 27, 2014 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Albion. The topics will be "Quilts of Local Color" with local quilters speaking and displaying their artistry. Carol Kusek will be showing her quilts. The programing is still being planned. There will be more information coming.

*Region III*

Verbal report by Jan Hibbs on the upcoming Region III Quilt gathering Saturday April 26, 2014 in Cozad NE. She also reported on the flyer they had sent out on the event, where they had all been sent. She reported on where they had been able to post information. A flyer was printed in the NSQG Newsletter and also handed out at the National Quilt Day event in Lincoln. See attached copy of flyer.

Jan had two bills to turn in, first she needs a \$200.00 check for the speaker and a bill of \$39.29 for postage.

### **Committee/Project Reports**

#### **QNE 14**

A verbal report was given by Sharron Nejedly.

The registration books are at the printers. They will be ready on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Darice Cecil will be ready to send out emails on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April along with paper copies that need to be mailed.

Sharon passed around a draft copy of the registration book for the board members to look at.

Sharon also gave a report that the collage had changed their policy in December about charging to use their faculties. They did not let her know about this. She did not know at this time if QNE 14 would have this charge added, being we signed before the change in fees took place. She was waiting to hear from them. She had email contact and confirmation with them in April of 2013. We should be grandfathered in. Because of this possibility of being charged she tacked on an extra \$5.00 to the registration fee for QNE 14, because she needed to get the information to the printers. This would change the Registration Fee of \$225. to \$230.

The collage will not be free of charge to use in the future at North Platte.

There will transportation provide for tours, such as to the Golden Spike Tower.

All the other plans are going well.

#### **QNE 15**

A verbal report was given by Sandra Kosch.

They are in the planning stages. They have contracts with national teachers.

They need volunteers for the computer work.

The collage at Norfolk will be charging us a rental fee to use the Life Learning Center for the classes.

### Awards

Mary Weich gave a report on someone who has been nominated for an Award, to be kept unannounced at this time.

### By-Laws & Policies

No report given.

### Education

A written report by Sheila Green on the National Quilting Day 2014 was handed out for her. See attached report.

There was a question by Mary Dudzinski on Membership if there was a job description. After discussion it was realized that job descriptions, District Directors' notebooks and Chairmen' notebooks had not been passed on to the new people. Fay Kliewer stated that she would scan her copies of this information from the membership book onto her computer then email them out to those who need this information.

### Historian

A verbal report was given by Jayne Schlosser. She will be taking historical documents and items to the archives in May, if anyone has anything to be archived please get it to her. It was decided that Secretary Janet Wilson is to dispose of the tapes from the old recorder and try to find a place to give and or recycle the old recorder, like Verizon.

**Library Project** A written report was handed out at the meeting. See attached copy. Katie Wilson also gave a verbal report on the library project. The selected book is "T-Shirt Quilts Make Easy" by Martha Deleonardis, published by AQS. AQS gave us a 60% discount with free shipping. For 276 books we paid \$2202.48. Our mailing cost to the libraries will be a total of \$735.75 for 275 books. Katie will deliver the one to Norfolk Public Library. This project, including labels and printing is expected to stay well within the budgeted amount of \$3500.00.

**Membership** A written report was sent by email prior to the meeting. See attached copy.

No verbal report.

Membership as of April 1, 2014

Members	2014		2013
	January	April	April
renewals	283	392	446
<u>new</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>26</u>
total	290	413	472

*2014 membership is down by 59 members compared to last year.*

Membership by Districts

	Renewals	New members	Total
District I - Lincoln & SE Neb.	119	4	123
District 2 - Omaha & NE Neb.	136	6	142
District 3 - Western NE	109	10	119
<u>District 4 - Other States</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>29</u>
Total	392	21	413

2013 members who have not renewed membership for 2014.

As of April 1, 2014 there are 154 members from 2012 who have not renewed their memberships.

District 1	42
District 2	65
District 3	25
<u>District 4</u>	<u>22</u>
Total	154

## Newsletter Distribution

	February	April	
Print Copy	216	240	
Electronic	182	192	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>432</b>	<i>includes members who receive both print &amp; electronic</i>
Mail QNE Booklet		305	

**Raffle Quilt** No report

**Site Selection** A written report was handed out and a verbal report given by Pam Thomas.

Pam visited both the Cornhusker and the Embassy Suites in Lincoln, NE for possible location for QNE 2016. Both locations have availability for July 28-31. The Embassy Suites is a nice facility. The room rate would include breakfast. The conference space is smaller and we would need to find additional classroom space outside of the hotel. We would need about six outside classrooms.

The Cornhusker is under new ownership – Marcus Hotels & Resorts, a Marriott facility. All of the hotel rooms have been renovated and all meeting rooms will be renovated by mid-2014.

The Cornhusker contacted the Lincoln Convention Visitor Bureau on our behalf. If we chose to hold QNE 16 in Lincoln, the LCVB will provide us \$750.00 to offset our operating costs.

The Cornhusker has adequate space to house all our needs in their hotel. They will charge us \$50.00 per breakout room per day. She estimated we need 14 classrooms which adds up to \$700 per day.

The room rental for a king or a double/double is only \$89 per night.

Pam Thomas recommended that we accept the proposal from the Cornhusker.

Pam had the contract from the Cornhusker with her and it will be signed today by Mary Weich.

**NE State Fair** Kay Grimminger gave a verbal report. She reported every class has an assigned award. Booklets will be sent out when other areas are ready. There are new divisions and awards for quilting this year.

**Publicity** No report.

It was brought up at this time by Mary Weich that we needed to have more membership cards printed up. Mary Weich will contact Darice Cecil.

NSQG stationary was passed out to those who needed some.

**Friends of ISQC Liaison** A report from Dianne Thomas was sent by email, see attached copy.

Mary Weich read this report to the board. Leslie Levy of Lincoln is the new director of the IQSC.

The Friends group is having a spring fundraiser on April 19 at the Center. Mary Ann Fons and her daughter Mary will be giving a lecture “Beyond the Binding, Everyday Quilters.”

**Website** No report

**Threads Across NE** A verbal report was given by Carol Brandl.

The new brochures are posted on the web site. They will be using the same registration form as last year revised for this year. AAA is reserved.

This will be the 10<sup>th</sup> year for Threads Across Nebraska. The date is Oct. 10-11, 2014 at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney NE.

The vendors will have a feature spot this year; they will be announced when they are doing a demonstration or other activity at the event. They will not be providing quilt appraisals this year. Sandy Anderson will be the featured quilter; she will be doing dolls and quilts. Brochures and flyers have been sent out with shops participating in the Shop Hop. When the current brochures run out new ones will be

printed with the complete list of vendors that will be attending. The hotels have the same rates as last year.

Carol gave information on a free web site to advertise quilting events: [quiltersresources.net](http://quiltersresources.net).

### **Unfinished Business**

No reports or items.

### **New Business**

No reports or items.

### **Other Business**

Pam Thomas reported on QNE 2016 in Lincoln NE. Mary needs suggestions or recommendations for Quilt Chairs for QNE 16. Pam asked that people would contact Mary if they have a recommendation.

Copies of the four scholarship applications for QNE 14 were handed out to the board members.  
See attached copies.

Miriam Peterson brought up scholarships. She and Fay Kliewer had discussed and came up with some recommendations for policies on scholarships that would be helpful.

1<sup>st</sup> That the State Guild would sponsor at least one scholarship each year and that the additional scholarships each year would be paid out of donations.

2<sup>nd</sup> That a line be added to the membership form to allow for additional contributions to the scholarship funds. This would allow those who do not attend the convention to contribute also.

There was discussion on how we currently handle and fund scholarships and ideas on what we could do different.

A motion was made by Carol Brandl to pay for all four scholarships submitted for just this year.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Hibbs

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Miriam Peterson that a donation line be added to the membership form to allow for donations for QNE scholarships.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Kay Grimminger

Motion passed.

The requirement to be a member of NSQG to apply for and receive a scholarship will be taken out.

### **Adjournment**

Next meeting: Saturday June 7, 2014 at 10:00 am. At the Pieceful Pastime Quilt Shop in Norfolk NE.

Mary Weich adjourned the meeting at 11:40 am

