Chequamegon Bay Quilters Meeting Minutes for May 3, 2021 (Virtual Meeting by Zoom)

17 members present. No guests.

Call to Order Sheri Swansen called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Minutes from the April 2021 virtual meeting are posted on the website.

Treasurer's Report (Amber E.)

There is \$3,527.44 in the checking account, with a shortfall of \$20.60 specifically for Quilt of Valor. If receive a donation or postage, then the QOV would hold more. With a cushion of \$300, there is \$3248.04. QOV Foundation for CBQ has \$470.55.

Committees

Sunshine (Sue G.) May birthdays: Nancy G. (24).

<u>Programs</u> (Deb M. and Jan S.)

We do need someone for the program in July. We're looking into a potential program speaker (but her timeframe is 1 hour). We'd prefer to have someone from the guild share a program. All influencer slots are filled (except for October—QOV in new year).

Quilt of Valor (Jan S.)

QOV Sew Day is on Feb 6. Kits are available.

Some groups are starting to present quilts but for some that is not an option.

Sew Days (Sandy O., Charlie)

May 22 10-3 is the next sew day. Consider getting together to sew with someone, but we will still meet on Zoom. Paper pieced squares need to come in by May 14—maybe we will try to put them on the design wall. Charlie has looked at the blocks that are in—colorful, maybe a black border. [sideline discussion about glue sticks]

Sew Day Social 10-12 on Saturday, May 7

Newsletter/Communications (Karen Y.)

CopyThat has the newsletters finished, Karen will pick them up and get them out.

Old Business

Vintage Challenge

The doily/hanky challenge is due in July.

Library

Sheri S. called the library today, and while they are meeting tonight, Darrell expects no change.

Survey about Meeting

Thanks to Karen for putting this together and encourage discussion.

There were 23 responses to the survey that Karen Y. sent out. All who responded are vaccinated. A majority wanted to wait and see what the COVID numbers are (assess for each meeting). Also votes for wearing masks. Everyone is willing to help clean up before and after. Suspend snacks temporarily got the most votes. Discussion: Should we consider meeting outside in summer? Some place with WiFi? The library has two picnic tables and good WiFi. Do we need permission from library? The surroundings

might be noisy. What about having social events outside, but meetings inside? Inside, but small groups could be encouraged to Zoom together. Could we meet on the third floor of WCC?

Conclusion for now: The survey indicated that our meetings won't be held indoors at this time. When the library opens, we could have 6-8 people there, and still can provide Zoom option for the rest. We'll meet on Zoom for now, then when numbers come down, if library isn't open, then can consider WCC top floor.

New Business

QOV presentation

Do we need more recipients? We are committed to giving 5 this year, open to giving more. Sandy has a name to consider. What about the veterans at the nursing home? What are numbers of veterans there? Outside presentation? Sheri will contact activity director for guidance. We could consider presenting those who are not doing well or WWII vets with the presentation and attendance on Zoom, with one person from guild in person with mask.

Show and Tell / 12 x 12 Show and Tell

Jan S. beach bag (12 x 12, water) recessed zipper on top

Jill S. flannel labyrinth queen-sized quilt that Tammy quilted (12 x 12); mug rug (water) with watery looking aqua fabric with quilting in shape of Lake Superior.

Sandy O. attended Fabric Patch quilting retreat (Fri/Sat/Sun) worked on new method of sewing squares together (86 women on Zoom) and wool applique (attendance counts as 12 x 12). Learned about: red dot on seam ripper to not cut fabric when ripping seam. Big spool—take off the bottom of spool and there is the start of the thread.

Kaci P. Before and after of organizing fabric (12 x 12)

Lucy T. Notan leaves (12 x 12), paper pieced hippo in blue (12 x 12, water)

Amber painting with umbrella (12 x 12, water)

Sue Welcome to the Lake gift with sail boat and lighthouse (12 x 12, water); recovered chair pads for outside (fabric 2.99 per yard at outlet, also includes tabs to hold cushions onto chair)

Karen Y. Tula Pink Daybreak uses linework, 25 true color fabric; t-shirt quilt that has fish and water theme on back (water);

Charlie W. Joe has Lake Superior prints pillow with plaid edge, wants to put cording around edge (water) Jean R. wall hanging finished quilting; coaster (water)

Sheri S. Lake kit from Joe's shop, received at xmas exchange, colored rectangles included in kit, used dark blue for lake (12 x 12, water)

Gayle S. EZ Breezy table runner in blue (12 x 12, water)

Deb M. ditty bag, in stages for demo at goal to sew the samples up (12 x 12); garden party (at Joe's) completed two squares, fused (12 x 12???)

Patti S. modern log cabin 20 inch

Lucy T. showed art she did with four birch bark scenes

Program

Influencer (Charlie W.)

Grandma and mom both influenced.

<u>Grandma</u> "Charlotte, Lottie": more than stitching, also crochet; sewing room was an enclosed porch, desk/office and treadle sewing machine, Charlie has it now; she was a seamstress (mending, sewing, took apart and remade things made at least 15 log cabin quilts for grandkids (showed one) hand quilted. Charlie showed photos of Christmas velvet dresses, homemade blouses and jumpers.

<u>Mother</u> (Aspenna Frances): did beautiful stitching, embroidery. Showed a quilt she made in 1939 before she was married, batting wool, she washed it and Dresden plates shriveled up. In the 1980s, Charlie redid the quilt. Every day she did hand quilting to finish by her mother's birthday.

<u>Media</u>: books "Great American Quilts 1987-2004" was also an influencer—she read the books, most influential. Magazine Quilters Newsletter. TV stars of quilting, e.g., Georgia Bonestell. <u>Quilting groups</u>: Sandy invited Charlie to go to Northwoods quilters (1996), CBQ and show and tell are also influencers

7th grade, 4H, home ec, gathered skirts, unpressed pleats, interest in quilting in 1980s likes scrap quilts, feedsacks, curtains, conversation fabric, fun to look at. Hand quilted the white blocks;

Announcements

July: Fabric Patch is offering 12 days of Christmas in July; pay \$55 by May 15, then you get a subscription for the 12 days

September: Fabric Patch's 41th birthday retreat Sept 9,10,11, plus activities.

June 4-26: Shop Hop will have six quilt shops participate in our area.

Program (Patti S.): Thimbles! Origin of name from "thumb bell." A thimble found in Pompei, worn on thumb. Collecting thimbles was popular in the 1800s, mass manufacturing in London in 1600s. Mention of "thimble knocking," "just a thimbleful." Became decorative items. "Digitabulists = thimble collector." Showed a picture of a finger sizer, make sure finger fits into end of thimble. Jan Larsen is a maker of specialty thimbles.

Adjourn 7:32 pm

Minutes recorded by Lucy Tyrrell.