

Chequamegon Bay Quilters – Minutes for February 7, 2023

Called to order by Jill S. at 5:30 with 18 present and 5 attending on Zoom.

Welcome to new member, Gina!!!!

Name tag drawing winner: Amber is name tag winner!

Treasurer's report

Current Balance: 3503.05

Quilts of Valor: 211.30

Guild Cushion: 300.00

Available Balance: 2991.75

Quilt of Valor Foundation Account: 86.10

Sunshine Fund: Sue, Karen, Penny, Sherri, Dawn, Kay Price, and Peggy. A big month for birthdays!

Quilts of Valor: Jan S. suggested a change to how the QOV program is administered. The individual quilters will be asked to shepherd the quilts through all the various stages with the help of a paper form. The paper form will accompany the quilt through the process. Jan provided a rough draft and is open to suggestions/edits. Every quilt of valor to have a backing, a pillowcase, binding, label, etc. For example, when a quilter starts a quilt, the form is initiated. When the individual quilter has completed their part, they will find the next quilter to complete an unfinished stage. The quilts will continue to come back to Jan, Sherry, or Jean before going to the longarmer. Jan S. requests as we try this new system to please share comments/thoughts and suggestions for improvement.

QOV Sew Day – The quilt of valor sew day had about 11 or 12 people, a good turnout. Thanks everyone.

12X12 - Jill S. created a spreadsheet from meeting minutes and slide shows. Jill S/Teresa N. will record completions on the spreadsheet during the meetings. Carrie G. was the winner of the 2021 to 2022 12 X 12. Congratulations Carrie! April we will have drawings for the 2022 – 2023 12X12 and afterwards discuss next year's 12X12 and perhaps changing the months it runs. Melissa M. will not be able to continue to administer the program.

Programs – Kaci P volunteered to do the program for March. Thank you Kaci!

Potential Quilt Show: There was an introductory discussion on perhaps having a CBQ quilt show. Lots of work, need to understand level of engagement from guild so the work didn't land on one individual's shoulders. Deb M. reports that to be the quilt show chairman is a LOT of work. However, it does generate funds for the quilt guild. The Washburn Club may be a good place to have the show. Maybe next spring? Do a raffle quilt? Get raffle license back? Karen Y said I think we already have a raffle quilt. Charlie W reported that yes we do have a raffle quilt. Vendors draw lots of people to the shows. Nancy suggested quilters doing demos also brings people in. Jill S. suggested holding the quilt show every other year and shared her experience heading to the Hayward quilt show. Option to consider is to request to piggyback on to the Hayward Quilt show. A quilt show has the potential to generate new membership and funds for the guild. Charlie suggest that we think about what we want to earn money

for? We have money in our guild fund. Ideas for spending money generated by the group included bus trips and having instructors in. We might reach out to local talent who could be instructors.

Potential Garage sale for one program introduced. The idea being for individual quilters to bring items to exchange or sell to other members of the guild.

Survey to collect groups' feedback: Jill S. will talk to the board at next meeting about putting out a survey to gauge guild interest in ideas about the quilt show as well as to generate program ideas.

Weebly/Square: Jill S. report our Chequamegon Bay Website is on the Weebly platform. Weebly was bought by square. Website is \$140 per year due to ability to post videos. Group consensus is that we want to keep the website (good publicity tool & accessible to all), explore reverting to the free version, and putting videos on a suggested new Chequamegon Bay YouTube channel/site. Explore providing the YouTube link on the website as a link or at a minimum as text.

WI State Fair Quilt Top: Lu sent e-mail about WI State Fair Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge & Seasoned with Creativity Theme Quilt contest. Deadline is Feb 28. State Fair is Milwaukee, WI. Lu sent out an e-mail last week and Jill S. brought flyers to the meeting for all that are interested.

Supplies in Cabinet: Jill S. suggested that we could put the items in the cabinet up for sale to quilt members, if possible. Response was yes this is possible, just pay Amber. Teresa N. suggested that the items could be included in the upcoming garage sale if members decide to hold one.

Member contact information: Amber E brought paper copy of name and addresses for quilt guild. Amber will add Gina to list and e-mail digital copy to members.

QOV fabric: Peggy held up a mottled blue with gold stars from the QOV fabric. She is looking for more to complete a quilt top. Please contact Peggy if you have something like that and she could use it.

Show N Tell: 12X12's competed. Lots of weighted bead projects (teddy bear, kindle/phone holders, ornaments, and more). Convergence quilts and a wedding gift quilt. Check out the slide show on the website for pictures.

Weighted Bead Project Winner: Karen Y is drawing for bead project winner: Jan S. won.

Program: Deb M prepared a wonderful program on the scrappy applique technique per Shannon Brinkley. Guild members worked on a valentine heart project. Thank you Deb, very interesting project!!

Meeting adjourned at 7:40.