

Minutes of the General Meeting,
In Person and via Zoom,
of the Oregon Coastal Quilters Guild

March 10, 2022

The hybrid meeting was called to order by President Meralee Wilson at 1:05 p.m.

Diane Tillotson moved to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2022, General meeting. Jan Childers seconded the Motion. The Motion passed, and the Minutes were approved without objection.

Mask Update: As of midnight on March 11, 2022, the state indoor mask mandate will terminate. When the Church determines masks are no longer required, masks will not be necessary for the Guild's general meetings.

GENERAL AND COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Membership: The Guild has 144 members. Thirty-eight attended the meeting in person and eighteen attended via Zoom. There were two visitors, Alana Mickleck and Lynn Moody. The directories are in and can be picked up at the Membership table during the general meetings.

Community Quilters: Jan McQueen announced she is making quilts for Ukrainian refugees fleeing the Russian invasion. The quilts are yellow and blue, the Ukrainian national colors. The kits are available during the meeting although members are encouraged to contact Jan to obtain kits between meetings. Jan needs 2.5" strips in blue, yellow, and white, one yard cuts of fabric in the same colors and help finishing the blocks as well as cash contributions. Help is also needed with finishing the quilts including, but not limited to, quilting, binding, and labelling.

Veterans Projects: The committee's next meeting is Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at the Siletz Grange from 9:30 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Janet Sylvester explained the recommendations of the Board for funds to be donated from the Guild's General Accounting Fund. The proposed donations are:

1. \$2,000.00 to the Capital Fund;
2. \$1,000.00 to the Speaker's Fund;
3. \$ 500.00 to the Carriage House;
4. \$ 500.00 to North Lincoln; and
5. \$ 500.00 to Lattimer.

Toni Brodie moved to accept the Board's recommendations for contributions. Debbie Mosely seconded the motion. After a vote, the motion was approved.

Quilt Show 2022: Wilma Roles announced there will be an in-person meeting of the Quilt Show committee chairs on March 17, 2022 at 1:45 p.m. at the Newport Library meeting room on the lower level. Thereafter, committee chairs will meet on the third Thursday of every month.

Workshop: On Friday, May 13, 2022 there will be a workshop led by Dawn White of her pattern for the Wonky Dresden Neighborhood. There is lots of space available. The cost is \$45.00, the workshop will last all day, and those interested can find and buy the pattern online.

Quilting Frame: Paulette Stenberg announced that Twy Hoch's hand quilting frame is free to anyone who is interested.

Raffle Quilt 2022: Jan Hoffman announced tickets for the raffle quilt are now available for members to sell.

President's Quilt: Meralee Wilson presented the President's Quilt to past president Diane Tillotson.

Community Quilters: Lindanne Perdue announced the committee gave away 238 finished quilts in 2021 and 24 quilts in 2022 to date. The committee has numerous baby quilts, but needs Head Start quilts in the 50"x60" size. My Sister's Place, a domestic violence shelter needs ten queen-sized quilts.

Block of the Month: Ruth Hutmacher announced the theme for next month is "April Showers".

There being no other announcements, Jane Szabo presented the program for the meeting. There are two parts to the program. The first is a Tip for new quilters: Quilters should strive for a scant 1/4" seam allowance unless otherwise instructed. There are 1/4" feet for almost every machine, with or without a guide. To be sure it is a scant 1/4", on machines where the quilter can move the needle, it should be adjusted one or two stitches in from the 1/4" line. An alternative method is to use removeable tape and remember to measure the whole distance between the two fabrics being seamed.

The second part of the program was the presentation of Dawn Boyd of the Sisters' Quilt Show. A lively and entertaining speaker, Dawn graduated in 2018 from George Fox University with a degree in Management. After getting her five girls through their graduations, Dawn decided it was time to find a new challenge. Since she has always enjoyed coordinating events, she applied for the Director's position of the Sisters' Quilt Show (despite being a "minimal quilter"). The job was Dawn's, and she began in January 2019. In 2020, the Quilt Show went virtual. In 2021, there were 600 quilts entered in the Show.

Founded in 1975, the first show had twelve to fifteen quilts the first year. Within three years, approximately 60 quilts were on display. Managing the Show became a more complicated and rewarding task. In 2003, the Show became a not-for-profit. There are now approximately 1,200 quilts in the annual show and approximately 10,000 visitors including tourists from England, Japan, Egypt, and Australia. Although it is a non-jury show, quilts that are tied can not be entered. All entries must be quilted.

The Show is always the second Saturday in July; this year it will be on July 9, 2022, but planning begins the August before the show. The Director approaches the corporate sponsors in the late Autumn and local sponsors in the Spring. There are between 300 and 350 volunteers for the shows, donors, and Friends of the Show. The Show has a positive economic impact in Central Oregon and, in 2009, brought in 2.7 million dollars the week of the show.

The Show is looking to the future with an art scholarship for a Sisters High School senior, a children's activity tent during the show, updating technology including a new website which was launched in March 2020, and the database, having a virtual show and growing social media connections.

There are several ways for quilters and nonquilters alike to get involved. (1) Enter a quilt or quilts, (2) Participate in the "*Wish Upon a Card Program*" in which fabric postcards are sold to offset the costs of the show (3) Become a Friend of the Show, (4) Be a business sponsor, (5) Bring family and friends to the show, and (6) Become a volunteer. For more information about the show, go to SOQS.org.

At the conclusion of the program, the gifts were given away. Viki West received an apple themed table topper. Darcy de la Rosa received the Nifty Notion of an iron cleaner; and Joanne Sedlacek received the Quilte3r's Surprise gift of a wall clock in the shape and design of a sewing machine.

The program having concluded, Nan Scott introduced Show & Share.

1. Lindanne Perdue displayed a vibrant Bargello quilt in shades of blues and green;
2. Jan McQueen displayed three quilts. The first of birds in Spring, the second a geometric pattern in blues, golds, and white, and the third a quilt of blue pinwheels. Kathy Lambert quilted all three quilts.
3. Patti Stephens displayed a quilt of blocks in a Dresden plate design with pastel fabrics.
4. Diane Tillotson displayed a quilt created around the panel of the Newport bridge with fabrics in blues and oranges.
5. Paulette Stenberg displayed two quilts. The first a Dresden plate design in batiks against a black background and the second a baby quilt in pink, white, and gray consisting of blocks of pink hearts for Amanda, Twy's granddaughter.
6. Carol Nelson displayed three quilted bags each of a smaller size than the one before and one small tulip quilt.
7. Pamela Potter displayed her quilt of disappearing nine patches in shades of blue.
8. Ruth Hutmacher displayed her quilt which she entitled "Looking up in 2022."

9. Jane Towsley displayed her log cabin quilt with the logs in red, white, and blue with yellow stars in the center.

10. Tonie Brodie displayed her “rescue project” in which she repaired a lovely basket quilt.

11. Elizabeth Wood displayed three quilts each one in red, white, and blue.

Reminders:

The Veterans Projects Sew-In will be on March 16, 2022 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Board is, via Zoom, at 10:00 a.m. on March 17, 2022,

Community Quilters will meet on April 7, 2022

The next General Meeting of the Guild is April 14, 2022, with Table Walk beginning at 12:30 p.m. and the meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m.,

Thereafter, the Executive Board will meet, via Zoom, at 10:00 a.m. on April 21, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Kinzel, Secretary