

QC Eboard minutes 5/17/2010

Meeting called to order at 4p at the ACA. Present were Jessica, Elaine, Ann, Irene, Susan, Stephanie, Ellen and Deborah. Minutes of the previous meeting had been read and approved by a majority in email.

Member's night at the quilt show will need a cash box at the door due to the admission being charged. Eboard members will take turns greeting at the door. Rita Robinson and Millie like to greet and so may help out. Members should wear name tags for the benefit of all.

Membership: so far 170 out of 400 members have renewed their membership. The Board discussed how to explain to the membership the importance of choosing the right type of membership. If members are unable to attend meetings, it may be better for them to renew as associate members. This way some of the people on the waiting list could be invited to join the guild. Nancy Howard wrote a cogent explanation of this in a past Quiltations. Perhaps it is time to publish it again, with Nancy's permission.

The program planning for the coming year is falling into place. Charging \$50/workshop will make the workshops self-sufficient and go a long way towards helping to pay for speaker fees. Two of the contracts for the coming year are finalized and the remainder are pending.

Leah Allman is unable to continue as NEQM liaison. A new volunteer will be solicited. NEQM has sent an offer to local guilds to sponsor the Images show in some way. Irene moved that QC become a sponsor of a ribbon for the cost of \$50. Stephanie seconded and a majority voted in favor.

Mary Gillis has suggested a very graphic quilt for the 2012 raffle quilt. The idea of creating the raffle quilt in two colors and the smaller member's quilt with color + black was discussed. Any members with raffle quilt ideas will be invited to bring them to the September meeting. This invitation will be published in Quiltations.

The Eboard will ask Beverly Fine to join us at our next meeting in July in order to discuss the scholarship program.

The budget was discussed in detail. A few ideas aiming to take in more money were discussed:

1. allowing 420 members instead of the current 400 was put on the table. There is room at the ACA for this many members to attend meetings;
2. continuing to charge \$10 to members who want to receive Quiltations in the mail;
3. at the comfort quilt workshops Jane Norberg sometimes will see an outstanding comfort quilt and put it aside and give it to the church to use as a raffle quilt, to keep the church happy with us, hopefully keep the fee low and allow us to come back.

This year QC broke even with the budget. In general member fees pay for ACA rent, Quiltations and insurance; while workshop fees pay for workshop and speaker fees. Last year we grossed around \$5,000 on the quilt show (before allocation of rent to show hours). QC could produce a raffle quilt and do a challenge silent auction on alternating years, and the funds received would be used for the donations line item in the budget.

Ellen noticed a lack of information about the quilt show in Quiltations. Sharon or Callie will give explanations tonight.

At 6:55, Elaine moved to adjourn the meeting, Deborah second and all voted in favor.