

10/25/10 QC Eboard Minutes

Meeting called to order at 5:30p at Panera's in Watertown. Present were Ellen, Ann, Stephanie, Susan, Jessica, Elaine, Irene, Ethel Shulam and Deborah.

The board discussed the situation of speakers/workshops. Currently there are 7 speakers and 14 workshops. Since not all workshops have full rosters, the question was posed that perhaps we are offering too many workshops. If all workshops are full they pay for themselves - otherwise the guild has to subsidize. It was agreed that we would open up the workshops to quilters at large, charging \$65 for members of our sister guild, Rising Star, and \$75 for all other interested parties. The treasurer is still waiting to receive checks for the workshops.

Next year's raffle was discussed. Mary Gillis has an interesting idea for a quilt using 8-inch blocks. The board considered how to make a raffle quilt which would bring members together in its creation, hoping to foster closer ties between members. The idea of a scrap quilt was presented.

The board needs to provide clear directives to Donations Chair Rita Robinson on how to apportion donations. We wish to continue sponsoring our traditional charities, but also to incorporate new charities. A question about these matters will be included in the Survey.

The guild will be displaying the raffle quilt at the Gathering all four days, pending enough volunteers to sit with it to sell tickets. Bookmarks are ready hand out to advertise our show at the Gathering. The board discussed the possibility in the QC show of putting larger info labels with each quilt along with providing a handout of advertisers versus publishing a booklet with all enclosed.

The winter free workshops will be discussed with the membership at the meeting tonight. Sign-up for these workshops must happen at the next meeting, as the workshops are in January.

The Survey will be sent out in the next month, be tabulated and ready to discuss by the next eboard meeting on December 6. The final wording of the questions will be fine-tuned over email by eboard members, but the board plans to have these following yes/no questions:

1. Should the quilt show continue over 4 days?
2. Alternate raffle quilt with small-quilt challenges?
3. Satisfaction with scholarship policy?
4. Happy with speakers and workshops?
 - a. did you sign up for a workshop? if not, why?
 - b. are you able to take weekday workshops?
5. Do you agree with the distribution of our charitable donations?
 - a. any suggestions for other charities the guild should sponsor?
6. Satisfied with the space at the ACA?
 - a. if not, would you serve on the committee to find a new space?

The board agreed on the next meeting at Elaine's house: Dec 6 at 7p.

Deborah moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45, Irene seconded and all voted in favor.