

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
LAS VEGAS QUILTERS
July 12, 2017

Phyllis Suiter, Melodie Gingras, Alison Tichenor, Cathy Miller, Ida Connors, Susie Clayton, Linda Biko, Elizabeth Polhans, Nancy Moredock, Lois Hale, and Tyler Janes.

Marti Mitchell

Meeting called to order at 5:17 and held at St. Andrews.

Old Business

- June minutes were approved
- Opportunity Quilt Tickets – Members will be asked to take an envelope containing 4 packets of 6 tickets (24) and a color photo of the quilt. Packets will first be distributed at Sew Yeah at the Christmas in July event, July 22 and, thereafter, at monthly guild meetings. Those members not able to attend the meetings will be contacted for help in selling tickets. Phyllis will prepare an article for the newsletter outlining the sales plan.
- Treasurer’s Report and Website news – Melodie reported that our website was hacked. We were asked to make a wire transfer to a NJ address. She reported the situation to the cyber-crimes unit. As a result, we have changed the email addresses of the president and the treasurer. For security purposes the monthly newsletter and a separate treasurer’s report will be emailed to members. However, only the newsletter will be posted to the website eliminating financials for public consumption. This change in the Standing Rules will need to be voted on and approved by the members.

New Business

- Susie made postcard size information cards which can be distributed to local shops. The cards announce place and times of guild meeting as well as website information.
- Quilt Show – UNLV Meeting – Ida and some other members met and listened to 3 group presentations on proposals for quilt show operations. One group was selected to work with us. All student participants were given various “thank you” gifts for their efforts. Gifts items included ceramic coasters, mug rugs and Starbucks gift cards.

Reports

Treasurer - Melodie will be out-of-town for part of July and August. Phyllis will have banking records and supplies.

Retreat – There are tentative plans to have an additional retreat in the fall or winter.

Opportunity Quilt – We are open for suggestions for places to market the quilt.

Quilt Show – Per the new contract with the Convention center, we are not being charged for the quilt intake room. A “hand quilting” category has been added for any quilt technique. There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes available. The class portion of the quilt show will be referred to as the “Quilt Academy.”

Membership – We have 110 members. Emails reminders have been sent to those who have not renewed.

Sunshine – Phyllis continues to send out greetings while Linda Henning deals with health issues.

Newsletter – The added pictures are not only informative but are nice and fun to see.

Ways & Means – We will be having Christmas in July at Sew Yeah on Saturday, July 22 from 10 until 5. There will also be a cookie bar. Nancy Moredock contributed two \$25.00 gift cards from Sew Yeah to be used for door prizes.

Refreshments – We need people to sign-up to bring refreshments for August, September and October. Nancy will write an article for the Newsletter.

Charity – Lois announced that she will resign her position as Chair effective September 1st. She is willing to advise her successor for a smooth transition. Sadly, we learned that some of our quilts donated to Safe Nest have been redistributed to animal shelters because Safe Nest had too many quilts on hand. This decision was apparently made by one person who did not have dominion over the quilts. Safe Nest is embarrassed about this and is preparing a letter of apology. To date we have not received any correspondence. Because of this situation, organizations that we contribute to will be vetted more carefully.

The next Board meeting will be held in September. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10.

Submitted by Alison Tichenor

Other information:

Programs for August will be presentations by some charity organizations in need of our help. The program for September will be the School House rotation.