



Empire Quilters Board Meeting Minutes November 9, 2008

Attendees: Jennifer Bigelow, Mary Butler, Aleeda Crawley, Lauren Dieterich, Lee Ebs, Anna Foss, Sylvia Hughes, Paula Kenney, Gail Lefton, Beth Pile, Rita Reid, Cindy Russell, Gail Sanders, Kitty Squire, Denise Walsh
President Jennifer Bigelow called the meeting to order at 11:08 AM.

Minutes: *Cindy Russell made a motion to accept the minutes of October 11, 2008 as written. The motion was seconded by Paula Kenney and passed by the Board.*

Treasurer's Report: *Cindy Russell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Gail Lefton seconded the motion which was passed by the Board.*

December Meeting: Presently there are not a lot of donations for the auction. Aleeda will make an announcement at the General Meeting regarding the need for more items. There will be no Library, no Share Table, no Vendor, and no Quilter of the Month at the meeting. There will be a Show and Tell. Jennifer volunteered to once again bring the sodas to the meeting. We will be making Teddy Bears and Stockings as we did last year. Stocking fillers will be gratefully accepted. Recommendations for hats, gloves, scarves, socks, barrettes, combs and brushes were made. Donations will be made to the Metro Family Shelter and Domestic Violence Shelter.

2009 Show: Paula Kenney reported that we are still waiting for space to be released for additional vendors. There are ten or twelve vendors on the waiting list. The Little Red Quilt House will be closing and at this point we are unsure if they will be using their space.

Marilyn Korn, Joan Hellmann and Jennifer Bigelow will be meeting in December with volunteers regarding the January meeting, when Quilt Entry Forms will be due. If not submitted that day, they must be post marked no later than the following Tuesday.

Ways and Means: Paula mentioned that we now have memo pads available for \$2.00 per pad.

Nominating: The entire Executive Board will be stepping down this year. There was a discussion of how we could prevent this from happening by having certain offices coming up for election on alternating years.

Bus Trips: Aleeda is planning a trip to Winterthur including a two-hour tour. She will give us more details at the December and January meetings.

Speakers and Workshops: Outgoing Chair Lee Ebs has suggested combining the jobs of Speakers and Workshops Chair into a single job. The Chair could work with a team to help. Mary said she would take over this responsibility for one year for sure, and perhaps the second year. The Board agreed to try this for one year.

Miscellaneous: RaNae Merrill donated a copy of her new book to the Library.

On a serious note, Paula related that she had left one of her bags in the room where the Executive Board meets during the October meeting. Some of Paula's things were taken. She warned all of us to be careful, and stated that she would speak to this at the General Meeting. Sylvia Hughes mentioned that "people are people," and just because they are quilters and we know them, they are no different from anyone else. We all agreed that this is a point well taken.

Cindy Russell moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Rita Reid and passed by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 PM.

Submitted by: Gail Lefton, Secretary