

ATTENDEES: Jennifer Bigelow, Mary Butler, Pat Decker, Anita Duncan, Natalie Garfinkle, Larry Gifford, Emma Green, Michael Greenberg, Joan Hellmann, Sylvia Hughes, Barbara Hull, Paula Kenney, Marilyn Korn, Mary Levins, Leila Lieberman, Beth Pile, Cindy Russell, Cynthia Spurles, Kitty Squire

President Jennifer Bigelow commenced the board meeting at 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES: The following motion made by Kitty Squire was seconded by Paula Kenney and Passed by the board: The October 2005 minutes be accepted as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kitty Squire posted her report for the period September 15, 2005 – October 13, 2004 on page 10 of our November newsletter. Kitty reported that we will get interest income from our funds in the money market account in December. The following motion made by Mary Levins was seconded by Paula Kenney and passed by the board: The Treasurer's Report be accepted as reported.

PROPOSED BUDGET: Treasurer Squire requested comments from the board on the proposed budget she presented in September and October. Joan Hellmann asked that the line item "Speaker Program Fees" be changed to "Program Fees" to encompass programs not requiring speaker participation yet needing funds to enact, etc. The following motion made by Marilyn Korn was seconded by Pat Decker and passed by the board: The proposed 2005-2006 budget be accepted with change only to the line item title "Speaker program Fees" to "Program Fees." The proposed budget will appear in the December newsletter to apprise members.

DECEMBER 10, 2005 FUND RAISER MEETING: Second Vice-President Michael Greenberg and Ways and Means Chair Paula Kenney discussed various aspects of the event. Fat quarters will be handed in today and in December; Joan Hellmann asked that Michael state the exact size of fat quarters (which is 18 x 22) to avoid confusion. Flyers on the fundraiser will be reinserted in the December newsletter. Members will be asked to bring items in starting at noon. Volunteers to staff the event will be garnered by signup sheets at the general meeting. Barbara Hull will coordinate coffee and rooms set up.

PROGRAMS: Chair Barbara Hull reported that our FIT contacts have changed. Today's speaker, Carol Taylor needs help carrying her materials downstairs after the show. Barbara also reported that the January program is still open but that month, we have limited audio-visual capabilities. Our program speaker in March will be Rhonda Johnson discussing copyrights. Our April meeting is still open but Barbara hopes that she will know more by the end of next week concerning that moth. Barbara would like to talk to someone about a "getting ready for a quilt show" program in June or in the spring.

WORKSHOPS: Chair Mary Butler reported that there are 13 people registered for the November 20<sup>th</sup> workshop with Carol Taylor. The workshop on December 11<sup>th</sup> is entitled "A Gathering" and work will be done on our New York Beauty raffle quilt on that day.

Mary Anne Ciccotelli's folded flower workshop will be given in January; Mary Anne's list for the workshop is on the website. Mary also reported that Anna Faustino will be giving the workshop in March; a Mother's Day workshop by Leslie Levison will be given in May and an African Pattern workshop by Dorothy Scalice in June. Due to the Lancaster show in April and its conflict with a possible workshop that month, Kitty Squire moved and Paula Kenney seconded that the following motion passed by the board: No workshop will be given in April, 2006. As many members will be at the Lancaster show on our scheduled meeting day, Saturday, April 8, we may conduct a board meeting on a weekday prior to the Lancaster show.

**RAFFLE QUILT:** Copies of the New York Beauty raffle quilt entitled "All Around the Town," designed using Electric Quilt software, was distributed to the board for their perusal. There are a total of five Mariners Compasses and the quilt uses many New York Beauty blocks. Chair Paula Kenney announced that there will be a workshop today for people who want to learn how to do NY Beauty blocks, foundation pieced on machines with the foundation material left in the quilt. Kits have been prepared to hand out and, hopefully most blocks will be ready by December 11 for machine piecing at the "Gathering" workshop.

**BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:** Jennifer announced that she will convene a meeting today.

**QUILT SHOW:** Chair Larry Gifford sent over 100 letters to manufacturers, suppliers and publishers for potential sponsorship of the show. Hancock's of Paducah will give us material for door prize/raffle. Electric Quilt also responded. Larry said volunteers are now on a database. We need a chair for the charity quilt section and discussed the space to work on charity quilts at the show. He wants to call a separate meeting of core groups and chairs for next month. Larry also wants to get a decision working with FIT on the kind of space for the vendors. A check must be given to FIT in January, 2006.

**NEWSLETTER:** Jennifer discussed an e-mail from a member, June Calender, who wished to start a book/magazine, etc. column for our newsletter, using 1,000 words for her first book review. The board thought that a reviewing column for our newsletter was a good idea; such a column is found in newsletters of other guilds. However, we are limited with space and 1,000 words for any one would take up too much room. It was agreed that Linda Lee Kelly, our newsletter editor, would best determine how many words could fit in the review.

Kitty informed us that a three page 2005-2006 membership listing will be in the December 2005 newsletter. Members will be informed that this listing will not appear on our website. Concerning membership forms, they will be inserted in the May, June and September issues of our newsletter. It was also noted that part of the board listing was absent from the November newsletter and that this will be rectified in the December issue.

**WELCOMING COMMITTEE:** Chair Beth Pile reported that Lee Ebs' husband was very sick and cards would be appreciated, but not phone calls. Also, Anita Grossman-Solomon's husband passed away. Mary Butler will discuss friends' quilt blocks for Anita today.

LIBRARY: Kitty Squire showed a new magazine entitled “1,000,000 Quilting Challenge” which she thought would be a good addition for our library. Marilyn Korn moved and Sylvia Hughes seconded the following motion, passed by the board: Subscription to the “1,000,000 Quilting Challenge” magazine for our library is approved.

MISCELLANEOUS: Mary Butler was asked by the New York Disaster Interface Services if an Empire representative could come to their annual general meeting they are sponsoring on November 22, 2005 at New York University. That group would like to thank our guild for our relief efforts and to advise of their future plans. It was suggested to ask Teresa Vega to represent us.

Emma Green moved and Leila Lieberman seconded the following motion passed by the board: As all business is concluded, the meeting be adjourned. President Bigelow adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:05 p.m.

Submitted by Joan E. Hellmann, Secretary