



Empire Quilters Board Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2006

Attendees: Jennifer Bigelow, Mary Butler, Alleda Crawley, Pat Decker, Anita Duncan, Anna Faustino, Larry Gifford, Emma Green, Barbara Hull, Paula Kenney, Marilyn Korn, Gail Lefton, Debra Levin, Veronique Millez, Alice Oberstein, Beth Pile, Cindy Russell, Kitty Squire, Denise Walsh.

President Jennifer Bigelow convened the meeting at 11:00 am.

Minutes: The following motion was made by Marilyn Korn, seconded by Barbara Hull and passed by the board: that the June, 2006 minutes be accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: The following motion was made by Paula Kenney, seconded and passed by the board: that the Treasurer's Report for the period June 30, 2006 – August 15, 2006 be accepted as it appeared in the September, 2006 newsletter.

In a short discussion, Treasurer Kitty Squire stated that Guild expenses for the 2005-2006 season were \$3000.00 less than income. Additionally, it was agreed that a separate tally sheet for the 2007 Quilt Show would appear in the newsletter along with the regular Guild report. Kitty also reported that we are losing money on the newsletter despite the increase in advertising revenue. She suggested that we find ways to encourage members to read the newsletter online in order to save on mailing and printing costs. Lastly, she passed out the proposed budget for the 2006-2007 year. It will be available online.

Bus Trips: Chair Aleeda Crawley reported that she is planning a shopping trip to Lancaster for November 4th, and a trip to the New Jersey Quilt Fest in the spring. Other trips are under consideration.

2007 Quilt Show: Chairman Larry Gifford will meet with FIT this week to finalize show space. Larry asked for suggestions for additional vendors as the space becomes available. It was reported that there would be only limited food service at the show; that the raffle tickets were ready to be given to members; that the volunteer database is being updated and organized by Leila Lieberman; and that John Kubinieć has assumed the responsibilities of Chairman of the Promotion Committee.

President Jennifer Bigelow reviewed the schedule for Quilt Show submissions as follows:

- ◆ Members who have paid their dues as of the November meeting will be eligible to hang a quilt in the show.
- ◆ Entry forms along with a photo of the quilt must be submitted by the January meeting.
- ◆ Quilts will be judged at the March, 2007 meeting, after which each quiltmaker will take his or her quilt home.
- ◆ Intake of quilts for the show will occur on Friday, March 23, 2007 between 8 and 10 am.

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Ways and Means: Chair Paula Kenney reported that packets including Raffle Tickets, Quilt Entry Rules, Entry Forms, President’s Challenge Entry Forms, and Members Boutique Forms are ready to be distributed to members at the September and October meetings, after which they will be mailed. Our goal for raffle sales will be \$10,000.00.

Programs: The speaker for the October meeting will be Dr. Harriet Schiffer who will be speaking about Kente cloth. Chair Barbara Hull asked for volunteers to model for Dr. Schiffer.

Charity: Chair Denise Walsh has to resign because of time considerations necessary to finish her postgraduate degree.

Miscellaneous: Jennifer asked for suggestions for vendors for future Guild meetings. In addition, she asked for volunteers for Quilt Day at the American Folk Art Museum. We will be there selling chances for our raffle quilt. Members are asked to bring their own projects on which to work if they wish.

Mary Butler reported that the Dykman Farmhouse Museum has contacted the Guild to see if we would like to replicate a quilt in their museum which originally was made in 1916. The original is appliquéd in an oak and reel design. Twenty blocks are needed for the quilt plus a border. The facilities of the museum will be available to the Guild and members of the community to put the quilt together and quilt it. It was decided that 1. we should see how many members would be interested in participating in such a project, and 2. if there were substantial interest, that it was something on which we should start working after the 2007 Quilt Show. The following motion was made by Larry Gifford, seconded by Marilyn Korn and passed by the board: that we explore the particulars involved in and timing of the Dykman Farmhouse Museum Quilt Project.

It was moved by Mary and seconded by Joan to adjourn the meeting. President Bigelow adjourned the meeting at 12:20 pm.

Submitted by Gail Lefton, Secretary

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PROPOSED BUDGET 2005-2006			
GENERAL FUNDS			
	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007
CATEGORY			
ADVERTISING EXPENSE	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
AUCTION	\$ 265.95	\$ -	-
BLOCK OF MONTH		\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00
HISTORIAN/ARCHIVIST		\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00
INSURANCE	\$ 1,180.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
LIBRARY	\$ 143.20	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
MEMBERSHIP COMM.		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
MISCELLANEOUS		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
NEWSLETTER EXP	\$ 2,338.81	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
PO BOX	\$ 118.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
POSTAGE	\$ 1,016.17	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
PRESIDENT MISC		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
PUBLICITY		\$ 500.00	\$ 200.00
RAFFLES		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
RAFFLE QUILT EXP	\$ 752.48	\$ -	
RENT	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
SERVICE COMMITTEE		\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00
SPEAKER EXP	\$ 1,345.01	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,200.00
SPEAKER PROG FEES	\$ 1,943.25	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$ 44.90	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
SUNSHINE/WELCOMING		\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00
WAYS AND MEANS		\$ 200.00	\$ 2,000.00
WEBSITE	\$ 223.45	\$ 400.00	\$ 350.00
WORKSHOP EXP	\$ 1,168.73	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,500.00
WORKSHOP TEACH FEE	\$ 3,082.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
	\$ 18,721.95	\$ 19,150.00	\$ 21,750.00
CURRENT BALANCE			\$ 36,213.31
MONIES FOR SHOW			\$ 15,347.27
ACTUAL BALANCE			\$ 20,866.04