



Empire Quilters Board Meeting Minutes March 13, 2010

Attendees: Gail Lefton, Lisa Kehrle, Mindy Wexler-Marks, JoAnn Gatch, Sylvia Hughes, Janet Randolph, Kitty Squire, Rita Reid, Alice Brody, Anna Krassy, Naomi Shellnut, Paula Kenney, Mary Butler

President Paula Kenney called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM.

Minutes: *Anna Krassy made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 13, 2010 meeting as written. Janet Randolph seconded the motion which was passed by the Board.*

Treasurer's Report: Anna Krassy told us that much of our money had been transferred to another bank, resulting in a raise in our interest income. *Kitty Squire made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Gail Lefton seconded the motion which was passed by the Board.*

Cindy Russell: Paula reported that sadly Cindy's mother had passed away two weeks ago and that a donation had been made to the MS Society on behalf of the Guild. Paula will write an article for the Newsletter.

Bus Trips: Sylvia Hughes announced that Aleeda will not be attending today's meeting. Sylvia has a list of people who may want to join the group going to Lancaster. She will be collecting their money today.

Programs: Kitty announced that tables for the Member's Flea Market in June are completely sold, although only two members have paid. There will be thirteen large tables. Payment must be received by May.

The program in December will be a fundraising auction to support our 2011 Quilt Show. Michael Greenberg's friend John, who led our very successful auction a few years ago, will be the auctioneer. A call will go out to the membership for some top quality items to auction. Members will also be asked to bring non-quilting friends with them to the event. Anna Foss will be asked to send an announcement to other Guilds in the area.

Once again reference was made to the success of our February focus group program. Kitty announced that such a program would take place once a year either in January or February.

It was stated that very few of our members offered names of speakers that they would like to hear at our meetings. However, there is always lots of criticism regarding who is chosen to speak. We will be installing a suggestion box at the membership table so we can get suggestions and feedback from the members.

2011 Show: Paula introduced our new Co-Chairs of the 2011 Show. They are Lisa Kehrle, Mindy Wexler-Marks and JoAnn Gatch. Kitty announced that she will be registering the Raffle Quilt with the NYS Gaming Commission.

Membership: Kitty went over three items in reference to Membership for the 2010–2011 Guild Season.

- A. If a member wants his/her membership card mailed to him/her, they should mail a SASE with their membership form.
- B. Kitty wants to charge \$5.00 to mail the Newsletter. This will basically cover the cost of postage.
- C. A discussion took place regarding raising the price of Membership. No exact amounts were proposed. Some kind of determination will be made in the April meeting and will be presented to the General Meeting.

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Monthly Fundraisers: Naomi will be resigning as the Chair of this committee, but she will still be selling tickets. We are all looking forward to seeing her elegant headgear.

Focus Grops: In June Nancy Rabatin will be holding a Focus Group for those who attended the February group on doll making. She will be teaching you how to make a dress for your doll, so that they will not be exposed to the elements.

Naomi made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Rita Reid and passed by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Submitted by: Gail Lefton, Secretary