

Corrected Minutes for the Wyoming State Quilt Guild
September 20, 2020
via Zoom Meeting

Call to Order: President April Pendelton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: Present were April Pendelton, Deb Zelenak, Kandi Davis, Stephanie Logan, Virginia Ohr, Tauna Leathers, Michelle Quick, Nena James, Julie Haptonstall, Deb Kipp, Josy Daniel, Linda Herget, Kim Hicks, Jennifer Golden and Elaine Donnelly.

April asked for any additions to the Agenda. There were none.

Minutes: The minutes were reviewed by those present via online slide and via email. Deb Zelenak had corrected these minutes that all committees, including Quilt Wyoming committee, should be reporting to the board and receiving permission for changes to and monies spent on those activities. Nena responded to these initial corrections and comments (from the comments made in the emails) on this report in that she doesn't want anything being changed that may not actually be policy as voted on by the State Guild. Linda Herget commented on the corrections and possible issues that we need to follow our RRO. Nena wanted the minutes approved as written without Deb's correction/addition. Motion was made that the minutes be approved as written except to add Jennifer Golden as the Chair of the Rules Committee. Kandi seconded. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: This report had been sent out this morning to all members via email, Sept. 20, 2020. It was approved,

Correspondence: No correspondence had been received.

Committee Reports

President's Report: The president reported that her mother had been in the hospital and that was why April didn't have a report.

President-Elect's Report: There was no report for the President-Elect.

Past-President's Report: Deb Z reminded everyone of her new email address of debzelenak82@gmail.com. First, she stated that a discussion would be held during the old business section for the bylaws and review committee. Secondly, she reported that the Central Region Retreat, held at the Wind River Casino, was great and that everyone enjoyed it. Also, that Julie was the mask queen!

Membership Report: Membership chair, Tauna, reported that there had been 4 new membership requests, 3 returning members and no change-of-region requests had occurred since the last

meeting. We have a total of 497 members. She will have envelopes ready prior to membership dues being due.

QuiltWyoming 20-21: Michelle Quick, committee chair, said that she and the committee had had a meeting at the college and that all is ready with them for this event. Teachers' letters have been sent to the regional and local teachers (National teachers should have already received their letters). Shirts and pins for both 2020 and 2021 are ready and both quilts will be exhibited at the NorthWest Regional retreat.

Michelle also reported that there is no schedule yet for opportunity quilts. No one is pushing a schedule at this point. Nena had hoped both would be hanging at Quilting on the Green, but it was cancelled. With this strange year of COVID, there is not much opportunity for display.

QW2022: Candy reported that there will be a meeting on September 26, 2020 with half agreeing to attend in Buffalo. They are just getting started on many things and may need to ask for their stipend early to pay for fabric for the opportunity quilt. Michelle commented that money comes from QW, and not the stipend.

QW2023: Julie commented that our 2nd meeting will be held in Oct. April offered that things are going well.

Librarian's Report: Terry Dunn reported that all is going well.

Patchwords/Website Report: was given by Virginia Orr and that *Patchwords* is going out.

Historian's Report: There was no report.

Quilt Camp Report: There was no report

Properties' Report: There was no report

Regional directors' Reports

Northeast Region – Josy and Deb K reported that Thursday, September 6, 2020 and Friday September 7 is their Quilt Show at the Complex. Both opportunity quilts for QW20-21 & QW2022 would be shown. There is a Basket quilt special award at the show, and the River Club challenge and the Clickety Clack challenge will also be hung. Displays and a silent auction will be at the library in Gillette. Area groups are getting back into the swing of things, Johnson County fair went on as planned. Kaycee Veterans day will be attended by their QOV group w/13 quilts to be awarded. Fiber arts show is also occurring on October 23rd this year. Fall Retreat will be held October 29, 30, 31. Registration should be sent to the NE region prior to Oct 1 and open to rest of retreat after Oct 1. County health has signed off on it and all is ready to go.

Southeast Region - Linda reported that there were 25 attendees registered for their fall retreat and that there were three openings left. They will be meeting on Oct 2, 3, 4, at LCCC. She also commented the *Patchwords* article is great about their Cheyenne QOV group.

Northwest Region – Michelle reported that none of local guilds are meeting except Thermopolis is meeting via zoom and don't intend to meet in person for the next month. NW regional happening is October 23-25. Fifty people will be socially distanced with masks except during sewing. There are two new openings available. Spring retreat was cancelled but asked if she can she use some of her spring money for this fall one. Linda suggested she should resubmit her request to the board for use of those funds.

Southwest Region – Nena reported that a couple of events have been cancelled. They cancelled the Trunk show and classes but will have quilt show and vendors at Quilting on the Green. The Hunter's Widow retreat was cancelled. Green River and Rock Springs guilds are resuming meetings in person. Heather, manager at Heritage Quilts in Pinedale, told Nena about the shop hop they are participating in with some shops from Idaho, Utah and Wyoming, and the response has been phenomenal. Over 300 people had been in shop for the shop hop, so people seemed to need that.

Central Region – Julie said the Central retreat had been a lot of fun with mask competition, lots of sewing and visiting.

Old Business

Deb wanted to clarify how all committees report to board. But all committees should report to board and if they want to do things differently they should definitely talk with board. The question was raised if there was a difference to Quilt Wyoming committees and regular committees? It was commented that QW is a standing committee as are any other committee. Candy said, "I would offer that QW committees are different as most other committees do not spend money. QW committees are successful where they are more autonomous. Maybe the QW committee rules should be reviewed. If any committee should be planning to spend money, they should discuss with board. Michelle countered that she had wanted the change in QW20-21 to be a big surprise and that change made QW20-21 different in a big way. Nena commented that when *Patchwords* comes out with info that the board was not notified of it can create problems. Rules committee should check on this. Deb asked if there are more expenses being chalked up with these big changes. April said that by adding another day, the board should have known about it and the QW20-21 committee should have gone before the board prior to info going out on *Patchwords*. Standing Rules committee should look into this and clarify it. There is no problem with what QW 20-21 is doing, but and we need to take into account with rules that maybe this will happen again, and that we should be ready in the future. Quilt Wyoming Guidelines don't say QW is specifically three days, but it has been practiced as such and became procedure. Discussion was continued about dates in either June or July for future Quilt Wyoming events. Standing Rules committee and Rules committee can continue with coming up with a solution on that.

T-Shirts – T-shirts for WSQG Board of Directors only come as a minimum order of 10 shirts and we can't get only 1 with embroidery. T-shirt costs would be \$140 would have to be sat on until we had someone new who fit the sizes ordered. Do we want to discontinue t-shirts? April mentioned that some of the membership wasn't happy (about the shirts for BOD only), but now some non-BOD are purchasing and

wearing the t-shirts. She suggested that maybe we should not order more for the board members. Nena made the motion that "When the t-shirts are ordered for membership, we will offer one to board members who do not have one." Linda seconded. Motion was passed.

By-Laws Review - Deb Z had a question for the Bylaws review committee about the difference between sanctioned and unsanctioned events and how that affects our Insurance. Jennifer suggested that they should let the review committee know the areas that need to be specifically reviewed. Regional happenings are open to only the regional members while quilt shows should be open to the public. But can regional retreats be open to the public? Further discussion was held on this question. The purpose of these regional events are to educate the public. But it has changed over time and the wording could maybe be modified for the future.

The Southwest Regional Fall Retreat - Linda asked that monies that had been set aside for the Spring and Fall events (Spring's was cancelled due to COVID) all go to their fall retreat. Deb moved that it be made so and Nena seconded; it was approved.

Insurance – Kandi reported that on July 27, after last meeting, she contacted our insurance company. Our policy covers 3rd party participants only; quilts, members and their private property on site of an event are not covered. Members are covered as "volunteers" and an extra coverage would be required for each event. The policy price is \$2500 for 3rd party coverage and that is all. The venue will not cover contents (quilts hanging at the show, vendors' merchandise and sewing equipment owned by participants). Most places require usage to be based on liability coverage. April would like someone to check into insurance coverage. Linda would like to check with her agent to get some real advice on this.

Deb said that in light of the insurance situation we should have the rules committee figure out the differences between sanctioned and unsanctioned events. Sanctioned are funded events? Is there any benefit to having unsanctioned events? Why are the 2 types of events enumerated? No matter what it is called it is covered, under current policy as stated above, if hosted by a WSQG member.

CDs Coming Due - Kandi stated that one CD is coming due in October. It is recommended that we get a 1-year CD at .75% so that we can get to it. It is in the amount of \$12,000. Jennifer votes for this procedure. Could the CD be divided into 2 CDs, one over into a 1-year and the other a 2-year? April moved that the CD coming due in October be split into two separate CDs, a one-year and a two-year. Tauna seconded and the motion carried.

Thanks, Deb, for the Zoom meeting capability. Our next meeting date is November 8th at 7 pm via zoom.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Stephanie Logan, Secretary