



August Minutes
Sunday, August 14th TIME 10 am
Zoom link to follow

- **In attendance:**
 - Sara Flynn
 - Chris Marchini
 - Marci MacFarlane
 - Kathleen Altman
 - Nadia Sokal
- **Absent: Marika Zimmerly-Beck, Alyson Evans**

- **Welcome, Call to Order 10:11 AM**
- **Review and approve the July 2022 Board Meeting minutes (Sara)**
 - [July 2022 minutes](#) APPROVED
 - **Motion to approve: Marci**
 - **Secunder Kathleen**
 - **Carried unanimously**

President's Items (Sara)

- **Ethics & Election Committee 10:30 AM - Guest Marilee Fosbre**
 - elections recommendations
 - Kathleen and Marci running again for the board next year
 - Marilee went over the plan, laid out process for nominations and election timeline
 - according to by laws, self nominations are accepted
 - positions open to all members in good standing
 - members who have nominated themselves need to send bio by sept 29
 - made available in the members only section
 - if haven't submitted bio, not on ballot
 - **ACTION ITEM: Sara to announce election nominations on August 18th meeting**
 - **ACTION ITEM Chris to add info to August 15th & 29th newsletter to promote nominations for board positions**
 - **Form is posted now so folks can self nominate now**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Marilee to fix a few issues in the election document and send back to Sara**
 - **Discussed previous google form versus survey monkey, password style voting**

- **ACTION ITEM: Marilee to talk to Michelle about how to ensure 1 vote per member (password style) and communicate decision to the board**
- close voting on October 31st, email to announce the new board

- **Meeting space update**
 - feedback 107 responses
 - many folks out of town may not have voted, discussion that the Mac has better technology for live stream
 - discussion about a trial run in December at the Mac, if something goes wrong, might be unfair for the guest
 - December usually has lower attendance
 - can't do the Mac for October, already booked
 - might be good for out of town folks to see how the tech can work to see if they want to renew
 - decided to wait until the voting closes
 - **ACTION ITEM: Sara after meeting location vote closes on Friday, email to board, respond by Tuesday about meeting in December in person at the Mac**
 - reserved a space in March and processing fee

- **Rainbow challenge wrapup- prizes - 2023 plans**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Marci to send Pioneer Quilts GC to Jeanne Al-Ghamdi**
 - Random draw for \$25 gift card for the rest of the winners
 - **ACTION ITEM: Sara to buy gift cards and send to rainbow challenge winners, slide to announce winners**
 - Launch 2023 challenge in November, open it to groups, lap size, booked Powells for June, approved budget of \$500 this year, decrease size rainbow colors with fat eighths, first 40 or 50 entries get fabric offering, Marci has reached out to a few companies, still connecting with other companies
 - **ACTION ITEM: Nadia to add 2023 rainbow quilt to October agenda, to approve budget**

- **Nicholas Lapp fabric challenge - Online Showcase plans and prize awards**
 - Marci reached out to Michelle Freedman
 - online showcase went well for rainbow challenge
 - NW quilt expo got canceled
 - Clark county guild offered us but the timeline did not work for us
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to put Maywood form together, Marci to collate photos from email and instagram, Marci to write up blurb write up for submissions (Sept 10th)**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Kathleen to email Marci tax ID number for donation thank you letters**
 - viewers choice, poll in guild meetings, have folks vote
 - discussed 1st prize (if maywood declines the board will decide), viewers choice and Nicholas Lapp

- **ACTION ITEM: Marci to connect with Maywood about voting and a potential prize for the handpicked challenge**
- 25\$ gift cards from a variety of vendors
- **Fabric Fundraiser - cancel or options**
 - Alyson and Renee helped last year, Susan was the coordinator in the past
 - No solid volunteer for this year
 - This year we will take a break from this event
 - **ACTION ITEM: Nadia to call Renee to check in about a fundraiser quilt and report back**
- **Library update - Angel van Note stepped down from the library position**
 - discussion about how to move forward, very low use of the resources
 - decided decision should be made by next year's board, idea to auction off for a fundraiser
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to take down the library info from the website**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Kathleen to email Angel about what the plan is for the library (ideas still in progress)**
- **Retreats - Camp Tilikum during next months meeting**
 - August 17th retreat meeting
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to put retreat meeting zoom link on members page**
 - Astoria retreat sold out, waitlist open
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to put Astoria waitlist info in newsletter**
- **Block of the month update**
 - \$210 left
 - Look at hashtag and prizes
 - Quilt labels from spoonflower
 - **ACTION ITEM: Sara to look at spoonflower for BOM custom labels**
- **PMQG Shop Offerings - update**
 - Bonfire still working on how to get it paid out, website is confusing
 - \$108.84, 15 shirts
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to email Bonfire support desk on how to get paid out**
- **Charity Quilts:**
 - Fidget quilt charity project (Marika) - update - Kits made, drop off last Friday, picture for posting

- **ACTION ITEM: Marika, social media blurb and newsletter blurb for fidget quilt donation drop off**
- International spin on Charity quilts (Nadia) -
- **ACTION ITEM: Nadia to make slide for Beyond Portland quilts for meeting**
- In person Sew days
- **ACTION ITEM: Chris to send email to Cath Hall about in person charity sew day**
- Charity zipper bags and totes - not many donations at this time

- **Summer picnic/New Member mixer** - review on event
 - went really well, on line had a good turn out, convo, feedback, more pictures for peoples faces
 - summer picnic, 20 people, show & tell, lunch, game, gifts, folks enjoyed it, network

- **DEIA Committee (Chris or Nadia) - No meeting in August**
 - Activist sewing open to the public
 - Queer quilters, open to the public
 - small groups had this question asked before and the board told them that non-members were not able to join
 - **ACTION ITEM: Nadia to look into details on guild members and small groups. Nadia to talk to Susan about opening groups to the public. Nadia to draft guidelines about participation in small groups.**

- **Meeting Programs/Speakers/Workshops (Marika, Alyson)**
 - August 22 - **Giuseppe/Giucy Giuce** sold out
 - Sept 22 - **Sheri/Whole Circle Studio on sale**
 - October - lecture and town hall? annual meeting, voting for new board
 - Kathleen to give treasurer's report
 - set up expectations
 - **ACTION ITEM: all at next board meeting to hash out agenda for town hall**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to advertise town hall in the newsletter, will include ask for new agenda items for the town hall, after the meeting place is decided**
 - November - **Sarah Nishiura**
 - December - **Charles Cameron**
 - **2023 programs planning** - not in attendance

- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Monthly Treasurer's report, Balance sheet, YTD

- numbers look good, main items for income, membership, workshops, retreats
- no concerns with expenses, under budget for most line items
- fall retreat Tilikum, estimated to have \$400 leftover, set it aside for scholarship retreat for 2023
- Fraudulent debit card use update
 - 300\$, Nordstroms was reached out to by bank, Nordstrom did not contact, but bank has August 23rd until we will know. Bank feels that we will be compensated.
- Kathleen has suggestions for next year to be presented at the next meeting
- **Membership, Procurement (Marci) - Update free table - sew day**
 - Discussion about how to support business members
 - specific business liaison would be preferred
 - set up next years board for success
 - business membership is not in the by laws, we can vote on it as a board
 - **MOTION: CHRIS for 2023 add a business member coordinator to the board**
 - **SECONDER: MARCI**
 - **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to look up other guilds write ups on business member coordinator (NW quilters guild) for the nomination process**
 - Free table went well, got rid of all the items
 - Next one on Marjorie Elliots porch in Sellwood
 - **ACTION ITEM: Sara to confirm with Marjorie for the October 22nd free table day**
 - Name tags suggested for next year
- **Scholarship update**
 - Alyson to review the scholarship guidelines, to be discussed before town hall as it will be an agenda item
 - **ACTION ITEM: all to review at next board meeting**
- **Tech/Social media (Chris)**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris make QuiltCon quilt graphic needs to be made and communicated**
 - Show and Tell submission form open
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to make a social media post for show & tell**
- **Committee Updates/Reports (Sara)**

- discussion about who can be involved in small groups (non-members), Nadia's action item as noted in DEIA section
- **WIP Circle (Nadia)** - update Renee to speak at the next meeting
 - **ACTION ITEM: Sara to make slide for WIP**
 - world class WIP Winner was decided as the title
- **Sustainable sewing (Nadia)** - No meeting the past few months, will update after next community activist sewing day
- **August Guild Meeting Summary (Sara) raffle prize for guicy guice**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Marci to send Sara Guicy Guice raffle prize picture and Sara to make a slide for guild meeting**
- **MQG Leadership meeting feedback**
 - Review on MQG leadership meeting
 - Informal discussion about membership cost and MQG feedback from MQG leadership meeting. 148 members pay for the MQG add on, 332 total members, 13 business members
 - MQG says that we are the only guild and our arrangement has been legacied in, no other guild can do this
 - 1740\$ in MQG fees this year.
 - Maximum portion of dues \$18 for MQG, we charge \$12 based on how many members we have.
 - 2019 is when the MQG membership cost changed
 - idea to have \$45 and include MQG membership
 - Benefits for MQG grievance, DEIA
 - Discussed how to collaborate with the new board on making a decision on this
 - **ACTION ITEM: Marci to ask MQG of the rates will be raised for 2023**
- **Email**
 - discussed changing thrilled guild guide for president to check emails once a week, any board member can reply, out of office reply
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to write and send up an out of office reply for the guild email saying we will respond in 3-5 business days**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Chris to remove feedback form in members only, will replace it with our email address, Chris will add email address to main page feedback form.**
- **Anything else?**

- **Adjourned 12:48 PM**