

Boulder Modern Quilting Guild  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Jan. 4, 2018  
Alfalfa's Community Room, Louisville, CO

Call to Order: Claudia Sheehan, 5:00 pm

Approval of minutes from 12/17/17 meeting: so moved by Barb Gippe

President's Report by Claudia Sheehan:

- Opening Remarks: My goal as president is to
  - keep things simple
  - allow committees to make as many decisions as possible
  - there is so much energy and good ideas in the guild; would like the membership to buy into everyone's hard work.

Treasurer's Report: Cynthia Morgan, Treasurer

- 2017 Financial Report:
  - Over budget in some lines, under on others; overall: \$75.36 loss; but have \$387 left over from previous years (due to higher dues)
  - Unusual expenditure in 2017: \$80 for domain name for guild.
- 2018 Budget:
  - Cash balance as of 1/1/18: \$1602.41
  - \$980 cash available
  - will budget less for Holiday Party
  - July Ice Cream Social expenditures will come out of refreshments, not programming
  - \$42 bank fee due to low balance; can we find a no-fee bank?
  - 24 full members, 1 out of state charged half rate

Committee Reports:

Education: Laura Leowen

- Evening meeting schedule approved as a "starting point", but may be modified, as needed.
  - October Open House for Sustainable Quilt Gallery will be moved to November, providing guild with more time to set up exhibit
  - Move Nov. program (All-Over Quilting Techniques) to October
- Open Sew Challenge Projects approved, but may also be modified as needed.
  - Participation in all projects is voluntary

Community Outreach/Charity: Monique Plamondon and Barb Gippe

- Charity Quilts:
  - For each of 12 quilts to be donated, an inventory has been developed, including a picture of the quilt, its dimensions, a short description, and where/to whom and when the quilt was donated. Inventory will be placed on website, and updated, as needed.

- Committee provided list of potential recipients; Board determined that all recipients must be local. The committee will select about 3 charities per year, with the charities changing annually.
- Committee will refine the process of determining recipients and will present plan at next Board meeting
- The committee will decide to which charity a donation will be made, and will report back to the board and membership when such donations are done.
- BMQG will not donate our quilt from QuiltCon to Las Vegas
- Committee will provide labels to be sewn on each quilt, which members can sew on at evening meetings or Open Sews.
- Committee presented proposals for making additional quilts. Board will leave it to the committee to determine the manner in which the guild will create charity quilts.
- STEAMfest: Monique Plamondon and Barb Gippe
  - Will use same process for creating blocks as last year, using the 3 or 4 strip block pattern.
  - Need more white fabric for signing names; will seek donations from guild
  - Committee will decide the process for assembling the blocks.  
Suggestions: use a Charity Sew Day distribute small squares at meetings to be sewn into blocks at home.
  - Will do monthly email blasts to membership with updates

#### Social Media: Rebecca Greco

- Website:
  - Kuddos to Rebecca! Awesome job!
  - Claudia designated new Social Media Committee, with Rebecca as chair. Committee will assist with maintaining blog, responding to email questions from website, proofreading, and other duties, as needed.
  - Personal post section: optional for member participation
  - Still need members only section
  - Main email address: info@
- Will set up Pinterest account
- Use Mail Chimp with custom groups to send emails.

#### Sustainable Quilts Exhibition: Laura Leowen

- Board agreed to move forward with exhibit; will be a Juried Quilt Show
- Call for submission will be emailed to members and put on website
- Draft budget based on 10 quilts accepted.
- Will need additional members to assist

#### Block of the Month: Laura Leowen

- Promotion:
  - to other guilds; Laura will take to Denver Metro
  - Postcards: front and back, block of the month one side, general BMQG on back. Funded from leftover 2017 funds.
  - BMQG Website
- Participation is free
- Monthly tutorials will be available on the website

Retreat 2018:

- Will form committee, with Cynthia serving as chair.
- Claudia will do survey to gather member input at to place, date, etc.

Unfinished Business:

- Member Survey:
  - Cynthia and Claudia will work on
  - Claudia requested that Board send possible questions to them

Next Board meeting:

- Bylaws call for quarterly meetings, but will meet monthly for the first few months of the year until we feel we have a routine in place
- Next meeting: Feb. 1, 2018, 5:00 at Alfalfa's

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Gippe  
Wendy Steensland