

SMQG Board Meeting. -- Extended
January 6, 2023
Welling residence

Attendees: Joyce Hoelzer, Marylee Welling, SueAnn Walker, Trish Walstad, Brenda Scolaro, Carol Brown

There were discussions about the urgency of finalizing retreat preparations for March 21-24, 2024. Trish reported on work in progress. A budget is needed for swag, food, raffles, etc.

Charity: Brenda recommended membership vote charity choice. She highlighted "Quilted Hugs" and "Crossroads" (Portsmouth homeless shelter). A different charity each year was proposed. Video of "Crossroads" in February. Donation proposed of Quilted Hugs to Wentworth Douglas Cancer Treatment Center in name of Joanne Davidson. Label for charity quilts to be designed/implemented. Raffle at the end of the year for those who donated. Kits to be assembled. Community Service (Charity) sew-in day to be scheduled. Assemble charity quilts at retreat. Schedule two sew-ins; spring and fall. Acquire any possible coupons for batting.

"Welcome Packet" for new members identified for further discussion.

Guild has a year on current mailbox.

SueAnn and Marylee to present quilt label information at February meeting.

February program to include: "Bring your favorite tool"; summary of "getting to know you" questionnaire; retreat update; charity update.

Action Items recorded by the President:

Joyce

1. Contact St. John's Episcopal Church, Portsmouth regarding sew-in days for charity
2. Contact NE Quilt Museum inquiring re: in-meeting presentation on history of quilting in the US and especially in NE
3. 2024 proposed budget
4. Research registering guild in NH; cancelling registration in MA.
5. Interface with Julie Ogilvie on creating a new website.
6. Send Quilted Hugs pattern to Brenda
7. Continue search for committee heads, especially programming
8. Bring December 2023 minutes to February meeting for membership acceptance.

MaryLee

1. Guild by-laws, policies, handbook, job descriptions. (That should keep ML busy!)

SueAnn

1. Continue with roster update
2. Collate membership survey (with ML)
3. Send name tag pattern to membership

Trish

1. Move ahead with planning retreat, including confirming with Franciscan Center. To check on the possibility of 3-day retreat for 2024, costs, minimum attendance.

Brenda

1. Plan 1-2 sew-in days for 2024
2. Contact W-D Cancer Treatment Center, confirm if would like Quilted Hugs
3. Solicit donations for batting, polar fleece (for Quilted Hugs), fabric
4. Find existing or create guild labels for donations. to include care instructions.

Carol

1. Inventory Hospitality supplies. Discard old or outdated items.

Julie

1. Research fellow guild websites for ideas and suggestions for SMQG
2. Report back on costs, design suggestions and recommendations.
3. Check on FB and IG accounts for guild.