

**BSWFG
General Meeting Minutes
10/2/2024**

Meeting called to order at 6:50pm 32 members present including several wonderful new members.

Treasurer's Report

Bonnie Janssen collected dues in lieu of Treasurer's absence.

Secretary's Report

September's meeting minutes were accepted as posted online with one spelling correction to Linda MacDonald's name. Thank you to Linda Lundstrom for taking the minutes in my absence.

Motion to accept minutes: Michelle Wentiel

Second: Judith Bamber

Approved

Programs/Workshops

October Program - Viking weaving with Thia Eades (It was a great program!)

November Program - Kathy McMinn will teach us how to make a paper woven Reindeer ornament using a series of folds. Many paper options will be available, and you can make 2 or 3 to decorate a gift or include with a card. Please bring a pair of scissors.

Future - Thia is working on setting up a program with split ply weaving/braiding with a possibility of a workshop being added if there is enough interest in the topic.

Tina Etter is also considering offering a workshop.

We still could use a workshop coordinator. If you are interested, please let us know!

2024 Holiday Sale December 6-7, 2024

Bonnie Janssen Chairperson janssenbam@yahoo.com

Thia Eades VP thiase66@yahoo.com

Tina Etter Set-up cmtetter@gmail.com

Sale Tags Darlene Gould-Murray darlene.gould.murray@gmail.com

Cheri Skomra has agreed to work on bookmarks and flyers for the guild sale. Please send her some pictures of your work so that she can use them in her flyers. CheriSkomra@gmail.com

Also please bring in some of your art to the November meeting for the White Lake Library Showcase. It helps to promote our sale.

Getting props from Shed: Sunday Dec 1, 2024 from 1pm-230pm

Set up Thursday Dec. 5, 2024: Two work shifts 9am-1pm (setting up display areas) and 1pm-5pm (setting out sale items).

Item Drop off: We would expect morning set up crew to bring their items earlier (there is an area where we can put the items or you can keep them in your vehicle until we are ready for them). For those of you not on the morning set up crew, we are usually ready to set up sale items around 1pm. We would appreciate when you drop off your items, that you stay and help for a while.

Friday Dec. 6: Sale hours 9am-5pm (Work shifts 830am-1245pm and 1245pm-5pm)

Saturday Dec. 7: Sale hours 9am-4pm (Work shifts 830am-1230pmm and 1230pm-400pm and clean up with all sellers present from approximately 4pm – 5pm)

Learning Grant

Corrections were made to learning grant application form. (P.O. Box change and option to scan form and email to the President.)

Motion to approve correcting Learning Grant Application Form: Michelle Wentiel

Second: Kelly Stashko

Approved

MLH - Upcoming weaving workshops

If you did not see the flyer at the meeting, information is available at annarborfiberarts.org on Martina Celerin's Dimensional Weaving and Dawn Edward's Felt Bird Pod.

Bylaws

Final revisions of our Bylaws will be reviewed at the November meeting.

Sale percentages (what the guild takes from the sale profits that helps to cover taxes, expenses, etc.) in our documents will be corrected from 15% to 10%.

Bonnie Janssen is creating "board job description binders" that will be submitted to our library.

Website

We are attempting to set up a member's only section.

Library

Annette Shafer explained to the new attendees how the library works, and how they can check out books.

Newsletter

Currently we still have not found anyone interested in putting out the newsletter. As secretary, if you have something that needs to go out to the membership, or have some pictures of our activities, I could send them out when I put out the meeting minutes (if you get them to me before I put out the meeting minutes. Or if you want it included when I put out the next month's minutes. For example: workshop info that wasn't addressed at a meeting, pictures from or for a workshop, updated sale info, etc.)

Announcements

Several of our guild members have items at the HVCA in the Artistry of the Handmade Books showing from Oct.4 to Nov. 2, 2024.

Alpaca Farm Open House (Linda Lundstrom) October 12, 2024 (12 noon to 4pm). See www.ZodiacRanch.com for more information.

Motion to adjourn at 7:45pm: Michelle Wentiel

Second: Cheri Skomra

Approved

General meeting minutes respectfully submitted 10/15/2024 by Secretary, Jacqueline Deradoorian.