

July 2024 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting

July 11, 2024, Kiln Library Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by President Jean G. Twenty-seven members were in attendance with one guest. Florence P's husband was there to take publicity photos of the opportunity quilt.

We presented retiring Kiln library director, Nel D, with a book-themed lap quilt.

Minutes: Minutes of the June 2024 meeting were distributed earlier to members via email. Motion to accept the minutes by Martha S, seconded by Charlotte T. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Kay G sitting in for absent Sharon B

June: Income: \$3,339.00 Expenses: \$1,886.35

Membership: Sherrie Q We have 45 members in good standing. An updated membership list was recently distributed.

Vice President: Ida M

- July 25th- Michele M will lead the group in making attic windows blocks with a Christmas in July theme. She passed a book around for inspiration and said that a supply list would be in the newsletter. Panels, novelty fabric, embroideries, or orphan blocks would all be good choices for block details.
- August 22nd- The owner of MS Sew N' Sew will demonstrate a new machine binding technique and how to create vinyl fabric from cotton.
- September 26th- Sharon will lead us in making Halloween place mats. Anyone participating will have to copy the pattern onto freezer/tissue/parchment paper before the day of the class. Ida had the pattern at the meeting for tracing.
- October 24th- Quilt-O played with 2 1/2" strips. Sharon's husband will call the game. There will be a max of four cards per person per game, with a max of five games. So participants should bring (20) 2 1/2" WOF strips of good quality fabric.

Newsletter and Website: Debra L

The newsletter is a work in progress and will be distributed as soon as information from today's meeting is incorporated. The website is continually being updated, and Debbie said she redacts personal and financial information from documents and images before posting.

Nominating Committee and possible By-laws Change

Jean reminded everyone that October will soon be here, and she will need 3 volunteers for the nominating committee. The committee canvasses members to fill the positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Charity Donation Chair for the following calendar year. Incumbents serve for

one year. Michele M made a suggestion that going forward elected positions serve for two years. A short discussion ensued about the required by-laws change and necessary steps for implementation.

Future Circuit Teacher Class- Jean G and Kay G

Kay said that as she reads old newsletters, readying them for upload onto the website, she noticed that our guild used to hold two GSQA circuit teacher classes each year. These classes are available through GSQA and provide top-level instruction from GSQA members. Each class cost \$225, plus mileage, lunch, and possibly an overnight stay and related meals. Classes usually are limited to twenty students. While students do not have to be GSQA members, the guild must be affiliated. Teachers and details of their classes are listed at <https://gulfstatesquilting.org/> There seemed to be general enthusiasm, so Kay will bring details about classes to a future meeting.

Quilt Show Update- Sue C (absent)

- The opportunity quilt is completed and has been named Coastal Reflections. Quilt designer April H showed everyone the quilt, and it is stunning. Ida and Sharon will take it to the July GSQA meeting in Baton Rouge and sell tickets.
- Jean ordered and received 5000 opportunity quilt tickets. They are in packs of six- \$1 for 1 and \$5 for 6. She will maintain a spreadsheet detailing ticket distribution, sales, and financial information.
- Chris J is organizing venues and staffing for quilt showing and ticket sales. She says we need 4 people minimum for each event. We will sell at Second Saturdays, Arts Alive, and GSQA meetings; other suggestions were Waveland Street Fair, Infinity Center, Picayune Street Fair, and Peter Anderson. Chris asked that if you have a suggestion, please do a little research before bringing it to her.
- Marsha R and Florence P asked about approval procedure for the cost of post cards, bookmarks, flyers, posters, etc. Kay (speaking as backup chair for Sue Chamberlain) said to send her the estimates and she will forward them to Sue and board for quick approval. Marsha will list Kay's email and phone number as show contact on show publicity.

Sew 'n Draw: Michele M

The next Sew 'n Draw will be Saturday, July 27th at 9am in the Kiln Library meeting room. The pattern is Magic Carpet, utilizing 10" squares in blenders or small prints- all colors.

Announcements:

- Therese was contacted by a lady who is no longer quilting and donated all her fabric to the guild. Therese suggested that we can sell it in the boutique at the upcoming quilt show. There was also an unfinished red/white/blue quilt that would be ideal for a veteran donation quilt.
- Sue R recently discovered Seaxing Seeds Foundation at 820 E Boston St Suite 2, Covington, LA 70433. Their mission statement says, "Seaxing Seeds Foundation offers introductory, beginner, and intermediate sewing classes, as well as quilting classes and special project workshops. Our focus is to foster interest and revitalize the art of sewing in our region." You can donate fabric as well as purchase it. Proceeds go to charity.

August Pre-Business Meeting Luncheon- MeMe's Diner, 17330 MS-603, Kiln, MS 39556.

Drawing for Calendar Quilt Block Participation: Winner, Jill W

Door Prize Drawing: Winner, Diana K

Motion to Adjourn at 2:23 pm, by Ida M, second by Jill W.

Respectfully submitted by Kay G, Recording Secretary, July 12, 2024