## December 2023 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting Minutes

Date: December 14, 2023 Location: Kiln Library

Therese S., Presiding

Debra L., Recording Secretary

### 22 members and 1 guest present

**Library Sewing Group:** Terri N. from the Library Sewing Group spoke to us about her group. She told us about a few of their future classes and invited us to attend. She also mentioned that a few members of the Sewing Group might be interested in quilting.

**Minutes:** Minutes were sent to members by email. Motion to accept as presented by Kay G., second by Charlotte T., motion passed by vote.

### Treasurer Report: Sharon B.

VP Marge: Marge S. absent

#### Membership report: Chris J.: 48 Members

Chris reminded us last month that next year's dues are \$15 and she will be available to start taking dues at the Christmas Party. She took in dues after the meeting.

**Newsletter and Facebook Report: Debbie L.**: Debbie had been working to update the website with current information and continues to produce the newsletter.

# **Old Business:**

### **GSQA Traveling Teacher:**

#### <u>Cindy Grisdela Improv Puzzle Blocks</u> January 22, 20249:00 am- 4:00 pm <u>Coast Electric Building, Hwy 29, Gulfport</u>

We currently have 16 participants signed up. As an update about the class, no specialty ruler or book is required to be purchased.

There was discussion about payment for the class if the quota of 20 is not filled at the November Business Meeting. It was determined that with 18 participants, the Guild would break even. Solutions: extra payment by students or the Guild would pay the difference. Sharon B. put forth a motion if the quota was not filled, that the Guild would pay the excess and donate the slots to the Sewing Group at the Kiln Library. Bill B. seconded the motion and the Guild members voted to pay the excess and donate the slots if no new quilters sign up for the class. Total expenses are expected to be around \$1,060.00 (Teacher fee, lodging, food). The Guild will let Marsha R. handle the details.

**Christmas Party Dec 14, 2024, Kiln Library 11am-3pm.** Set up began at 10am. The party ended around 1:30 pm. Members wore/brought their Quilted Sweatshirts from our recent class. The Guild had a "Dirty Santa" gift exchange with the gift value of \$20, quilt

related and handmade "something you would like yourself." All the gifts were beautiful and useful!

We raised some food items and \$235.00 for the Hancock County Food Pantry.

**Quilt Show Charity Donations:** Donation forms have been turned into the Board from Sue R. for The Ladies of Liberty and from Martha S. and Barbara S. for The Hancock Animal Shelter. The Guild has \$1,411.22 from the 2023 Quilt Show to donate over this year and next year. Ida M. put forth the motion to divide the money between the two organizations. Barbara S. seconded the motion. The membership voted at the Christmas Party to pass the motion. Each organization will receive a check for \$352.80 for this year and next year.

**Nominating Committee**: 2024 Nominating Committee: Martha S., Kay G., and Gretchen F. Thank you for your hard work and thanks to our new officer nominees.

There was a motion to vote to accept the new officer nominations by April H. and seconded by Jill W. The membership voted for all the new officer nominations. The following are the BOQG Board Members and Appointed positions for 2024:

President: Jean G. Vice President: Ida M. Secretary: Kay G. Treasurer: Sharon B. Membership: Sherrie Q. Newsletter/Webmaster: Debbie L. Charity Chairperson: Louise H. Hospitality: Judy F. Sew and Draw: Michele M.

**Abbey Retreat**: The dates for this retreat are March 5-8, 2024. The fee is \$475.00. Please see Michele M. if you would like to attend.

Hancock Library Christmas Tea: The annual Christmas Tea was held the Main Hancock County Library on December 2, 5-7pm. We participated in the Christmas Tree display at the Kiln Library. Thanks to Martha S. and Sure C., we decorated our tree with Folded Stars. As far as we know, we did not win an award. Voting for favorite tree was still ongoing.

Sew and Draw: Plans are in progress; Michele M. will announce next month.

# **New Business:**

**Calendar Quilt**: Ida M. as the Guild's new Vice President put forth a motion that instead of making the Monthly Lotto Blocks as in the past, the Guild membership should make a Calendar Quilt. Each month a quilter will make a block that reflects the month of the Business Meeting. The block size, pattern, fabric, etc. is chosen by the quilter.

The 12 block quilt must be completed for the 2025 Quilt Show. Ida discussed with Sue C. to have an area for Viewer's Choice on the Calendar Quilts.

When the Guild did the Monthly Lotto Blocks, one quilter won all the blocks submitted by a drawing. With the Calendar Quilt, quilters who show their completed Calendar Block **for that month** will be entered into a drawing for a "door prize." Ida has purchased some of the prizes already. The 12 prizes will be over \$100 for the year. Charlotte T. put forth a motion for the Guild to budget \$150.00 for Ida to purchase the prizes. April H. seconded the motion. The membership voted unanimously to allow reimbursement to Ida for the prizes.

**GSQA Baskets for the Rosebud Luncheon**: The Board voted to make up 2 baskets for this luncheon. Several Board members went to Willow Creek Quilting in Vicksburg and bought items for these baskets. They spent \$39.78 for one basket and \$40.14 for the other basket. The original value was \$99.46 and \$115.16. We can still collect items to go into these baskets: new unused items, fabrics, etc. Please bring items to the January Business Meeting.

**Gift for Outgoing Guild President**: The Board and Guild members gave Therese S. \$50.00 as a thank you gift as outgoing Guild President.

**Show and tell presentations**: There were several sweatshirt jackets shown, Red, White, & Blue quilts, quilts for presents to family members, etc. All were beautiful! See the newsletter for pictures.

UFO Drawing: Joan W. won the \$50.00 prize.

Motion to adjourn by Debra L., Second Chris J.

Adjourned

Minutes submitted by

Debra A. L., Recording Secretary Date: December 17, 2023