

Minutes Bay Oaks Quilt Guild – April 14, 2022

President Michele Martin opened the meeting at 10:00 am. She read the minutes of the last meeting because several members said they did not receive them. Martha Slee moved to accept the minutes as read and Pam Blais seconded.

Treasurer Ida Macuick gave the treasurer's report: opening balance of \$5326.83. One deposit of \$15.00 and checks written in the amount of \$510.40 (see treasurers report for details). Ending balance as of 3/31/22 is \$4831.43.

Membership chair Chris Jarrell stated membership was 35 and we welcomed Judy Flannigan as a new member. Our membership is now 36.

Abbey Retreat: moved from March to February 14-17, 2023 due to a conflict with GSQA Seminar. Cost is \$403.50 for private room, 3 meals a day, and sewing area. We need at least 20 people to attend. The per day cost is \$65.00 and includes 3 meals. You may go to the St. Joseph Abbey website to view pictures.

The Beckwith Retreat in Fairhope, AL is usually in August and we are waiting to hear from them. Therese is in charge of arrangements.

Please fill out the evaluation form. Rhonda will put it on line for those of you who need it. It is very important to help our guild serve each member.

Therese Springer has been nominated for the Marion Maerke award and has the form she needs to fill out. She and Michele will submit it with the required letters.

Marsha discussed the Opportunity Quilt. A group from the guild will piece the hexagons together and bring it in for the guild to lay out and arrange. The May project night we will put the Secret Window panel, hexies and coordinating fabric together.

Rhonda McNaughton won the lotto blocks. Next month is a 12" finished block of pieced flowers. The background is blue, leaves are green, and flowers pink.

GSQA quilt show had many members of our guild spotlighted. Marsha got an Honorable Mention, Therese a first and 2 Honorable Mentions, Sue Rountree a Second, a Third and an Honorable Mention, Sharon Barnes got 2 Honorable Mentions and Evelyn got a Third Place and an Honorable Mention. For a future meeting these ladies will be asked to bring their quilts and comment sheets to show what the judges look for. Kudos Ladies!!!

Board discussed possibility of a ½ square triangle exchange as done in the past. Small groups will make them to swap. The goal is to make quilts within your group. Members voted yes to go ahead and start planning for this.

Three thank you notes were read regarding the donations we made to their organizations. Camp Able, Free NOLA and Slidell Ladies of Liberty sent the notes. Also, Chris Jarrel said many members went to the Hancock SPCA tea and fun was had by all.

Ida discussed the ALS quilts. May 21, 2022 Sit and Sew was set aside to make them if you wish. Any size is welcome. Some will go to patients and others put online to raise money for the organization. 35" x 45" is the smallest size accepted. You may go to www.quiltersdreambatting.com and click on the

“Hopes & Dreams Quilt CHALLENGE” for more information. Sue moved to have the guild pay for the shipping of the finished quilts and Martha seconded. This was approved by the guild.

Judy Flannegan said she would bring raffle tickets for the Sand Stitchers Opportunity quilt to the next meeting.

Martha and Barbara volunteered to teach the making of the Casserole Carrier at one of the Project Nights. Ten members expressed interest.

Martha motioned to adjourn, Sharon seconded and the guild approved.

Submitted by Marge Sandy, substitute secretary