

January 2025 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting, January 9, 2025, Kiln Library Meeting Room
The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by President Florence P. Twenty-eight attended including a new member and one guest were in attendance.

Minutes: Minutes of the December 2024 meeting were distributed earlier to members via email. There was a motion to accept the minutes. Motion to accept the minutes by Michele M, seconded by Jill W. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Sharon B

The Guild gave checks to our designated 2024 charities, Friends of the Animal Shelter and the Slidell Ladies of Liberty; the President's Gift, and the UFO Winner prize.

Sharon told the Guild members that the Friends of the Animal Shelter would put our Quilt Show and Opportunity Quilt information in their Newsletter!

Vice President: Therese S

- Therese passed out the 2025 BOQG Board Evaluation Form for members to fill out on their recommendations to the Board for the new year. The Form was to be returned at the end of the meeting.
- **January Program** on 1/23/25 will be a sit and sew making as many charity quilts for hurricane Helene victims as we can. The Guild will use Therese's A Maze Zing pattern.
- Members are to bring 2-1/2 inch jelly roll strips and the necessary equipment to the meeting. Ida M & Kay G have white fabric to be cut into 1-1/2 inch strips to go in between the 2-1/2 inch jelly roll strips.
- Ida purchased batting. The board approved the purchase for reimbursement as it was under the limit needed for membership approval. Members should bring backing fabric and leftover batting.
- Members may bring charity quilts to donate.
- Bonnie D volunteered to do the quilting. A motion was made by Terese S and seconded by Kathy K for the Guild to cover the cost of the thread for Bonnie.
- The quilts will be distributed by 5 Little Monkeys Quilt and Sew in Weaverville, North Carolina.
- **February Program** - Michele M volunteered to conduct the February Program which will be Zippered Project Bags.

Membership: Sherrie Q

We have 46 members in good standing. Sherrie collected 2025 dues of \$15 at the business meeting. Members are expected to sell at least \$20 worth of opportunity quilt tickets that they receive when they pay their dues. She also distributed the 2025 Guild Membership Cards. There was a new member at the meeting.

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.

Charity Quilts – Louise H - absent

Louise has the tags for Charity Quilts. President, Florence P, suggested the Guild may need a backup person to help Louise with the Charity quilts.

OLD BUSINESS

Quilt Show Updates – Sue C & Kathy K

- **Sue C** passed out 2025 BOQG Quilt Entry Forms for members to make copies for themselves as needed. Members can enter 3 quilts (including the Calendar Quilt) to the show. Each quilt must have a Form, a photo of the quilt, and be returned to Therese S by April 10, 2025.
- Sue has 2025 Quilt Show flyers, bookmarks & postcards for members to distribute.
- Sue also wants members to wear their BOQG T-shirts for the Quilt Show. She asked interested members who wanted T-shirts to contact her. She needs a volunteer to handle ordering the T-Shirts – but needs at least 5 to order.
- Sue also mentioned the Quilt Show Boutique needs donations.
- **Kathy K** passed out sign up sheets for Friday, May 9, 2025, and Saturday, May 10, 2025, with open slots for different Quilt Show jobs. Everyone is expected to help set up the show on Thursday, May 8, 2025, and take down on Saturday, May 10, 2025. The May Business Meeting will be held on Thursday during a lunch break from set up.
- **Michele M** will be doing the I Spy activity for children. She asked that members put a note on the back of the Quilt Entry Form about their quilt that she can use for the I Spy – Ex: hidden cats.
- **Florence P** addressed Quilt Show Publicity – Marsha R and Florence may not have time to continue as the Chairs for publicity due to other obligations. Florence asked for two volunteers to be the Chairs. Michele M will continue to work on TV publicity. Kay G volunteered to do electronic publicity – newspapers, Facebook, etc. Ida M already set up publicity with Coast Electric. Other members offered to distribute flyers, postcards, bookmarks in their area – Long Beach, Waveland, Diamondhead, etc.
- **Chris J** has taken over from Jean G, previous President, keeping track of ticket sales for the 2025 Opportunity Quilt. She has tickets.
- Chris also spoke about Second Saturday in Bay St. Louis. It is not an actual Art Walk anymore. The days have themes – ex: Dollywood is this weekend. She checked to see if the Guild can sell Opportunity Quilt tickets on the Courthouse steps as we have done in the past. We would have to go to BSL's City Council. Ida M knows where we might be able to set up. She must check with the owner when they get back from a trip.
- **Liz F & Sherrie Q** are handling Quilt Show Door Prizes. Donations are appreciated.

NEW BUSINESS

UFO Lists – April H

April spoke about UFOs for 2025. She previously had Debbie L email the Form to members. She also had some with her. The Forms are due at the March Business Meeting. She explained that UFOs were

projects already started. A member **may not add** to the list during the year **except for:** A class the member took project, a Program Meeting project, and a Sew’N’Draw project the member won.

GSQA January 18, 2025, Quarterly Meeting – April H

April told the members that there would be classes offered by Kyra Reps on Applique on Thursday & Friday before the Quarterly Meeting. There were still openings to register and pay.

April also spoke about selling Opportunity Quilt tickets at the Saturday, January 18, 2025, GSQA Quarterly Meeting at the Harbor Center in Slidell, LA. The guild will be allowed to set up and sell tickets. Therese S, Chris J, and Ida M will be there.

Circuit Teacher Class with April H- Fabric Painting: Kay G & April H

The class will be held at the Kiln library meeting room from 9 am – 3 pm on February 15, 2025. There is a \$35 kit fee for each student to be paid on the day of the class. April H says she can take a maximum of 25 students. Seventeen members have currently signed up for the class. Kay will check with some members who signed up if they can still attend. Members must sign up by February 5, 2025.

Participants will work on 3 different pieces. Members need to bring paper and pens/pencils to write notes, and some freezer paper or cardboard pieces (pizza box size) to place their projects on. **WEAR OLD CLOTHING** because the paint doesn’t come out if you get it on your clothing.

Arts Alive, March 29-30, 2025 – Martha S

Martha S said that the Guild could sell tickets for the Opportunity Quilt at Arts Alive. The hours are 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, March 29, 2025, and 12 pm – 4 pm on Sunday, March 30, 2025. The Show will not be inside due to the rental cost. We would be in a tent like before. Martha has material scraps for a children’s project. She needs members to volunteer to demonstrate something with quilting during the Show. Chris J volunteered to work/demonstrate a project. Martha needs more volunteers to man the tent, sell tickets, work with children project, and demonstrate a quilting project during the Show.

Outside Educator – Kay G

Kay wanted to bring up the idea of outside educators teaching the Guild new techniques. The money earned after expenses from our Quilt Shows is used for charity donations and education. Guild members should think about educators they may want to come and teach a class. Be aware that the Guild not only pays the teacher for the class. The Guild also pays for travel, lodging, and meal expenses of the teacher. Some teachers may also teach remotely. The Kiln library is set up with internet, a computer, an overhead projector, and a screen in the Meeting Room.

2025 Sew’N’Draws – Michele M

Michele asked members if Fridays would work for this 2025 Sew’N’Draws since the Kin library is closed on Saturdays. Members said either day would work. It was mentioned that getting the Meeting Room from 9 am to 3 pm on Fridays would be hard. Kay G said she would pick up the library key on the

Fridays before the Sew’N’Draws. It was decided to stay with Saturdays for 2025. Michele would let Debbie L know when the date of the next Sew’N’Draw to email members.

St Joseph Abbey Retreat, March 25-28, 2025 – Michele M

The cost of the 3 1/2 day retreat is \$475.50 or \$65 daily rate (no overnight stay, three meals). Michele said there was not a minimum for the attendees for the Retreat to be a go. Attendees must bring their projects and sewing/quilting equipment. She passed a signup sheet around.

Show & Tell

Charlotte T: Sue C’s Dirty Santa Quilted Jacket made reversible

April H: Pink Plaid Free Pattern

Kay G: Laurie Holt Pattern – hand appliqued, hand embroidered, hand and machine quilted – 3 yrs
Fabulous – Block of the Month – worked on in the camper

Bonnie D: Charity Quilt – Her Version of I Spy

Lunch Before February 13, 2025, Business Mtg: Panola’s at 11:30 am

Door Prize Drawing: Debra L

Motion to Adjourn at 2:30 pm, by Ida M, seconded by Therese S

Respectfully submitted by Liz F, Secretary, January 13, 2025.