

## **Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting, November 14, 2019**

President Joy Vanderhoof called the meeting to order at 6:29 pm. There were 24 members present.

Michele Martin moved that the minutes of the October meeting be approved as published. Charlotte Timmons seconded. All present approved.

Treasurer Sharon Barnes reported no activity in the month of October. The balance remains \$5366.41.

Membership chair Jean Anderson was not present, but Joy said that membership is holding steady at 44 active members in the guild.

Vice President Sue Chamberlain collected blocks of the month and announced that guild evaluation forms are now available. The completed forms are due by the January business meeting. In January Therese Springer will teach us how to create a handkerchief butterfly block. This is a hand sewing project. Sue C. reminded us to turn in the name of our 60's song for the challenge quilt tonight.

Kay Guillot announced GSQA circuit teacher Marie Fuselier will teach her class, Waving Glory, on March 7<sup>th</sup> at the Kiln Library. This is an easy bargello technique that gives the illusion of a waving American flag. It is a quilt-as-you-go project. Cost is \$25 for GSQA members and \$50 for non-members. There is an additional charge of \$10 payable to the teacher the day of the class for the pattern and the blue/star fabric. Kay will start taking names in January.

Our annual Christmas party/business meeting is December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Diamondhead Community Center. Martha Slee passed around a sign-up sheet for food. Therese Springer has centerpieces and quilt racks/drapes for the challenge quilts. A basket will be available for food pantry donations. Chris Jarrell will deliver our donations to the Hancock County Food Pantry after the party. Cash prizes will be awarded for both challenges: the UFO challenge (\$50) and the 60's song challenge. (\$25, \$15, \$10.)

Bay Oaks is co-hosting the GSQA quarterly meeting in July. Jean Anderson demo'd a gift bag pattern at the October program meeting and Venessa Saucier emailed the pattern to members. She will also post it on the guild website. Marge Sandy and Martha Slee will coordinate filling the bags with candy as part of our "Halloween in July" theme. Sharon suggested that we sew the gift bags during a future Sit & Sew.

Marge Sandy passed around the pattern that we will be using for the February 1<sup>st</sup> Sew & Draw. Participants are asked to bring three 12" x WOF pieces of Halloween fabric for the quilt. There is a lot of piecing for this quilt, so we'll need six or so sewing "wenches" that day.

Marsha Robertson, guild coordinator for the 2020 GSQA travelling teacher, reported that the date for the Gyleen Fitzgerald class has been changed to Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The class will be held at the William J. Kelly Retreat Center, 510 N 2nd St, Bay St Louis, MS 39520. The cost will be around \$65 or so for GSQA members, more for non-members. Lunch will be provided by the retreat center. Final cost will be determined by a combination of factors, including teacher's fee, teacher lodging cost, and facility charges. There will also be a \$10 pattern charge, payable to Gyleen the day of the class. Marsha will provide thirty class options to the board, from which the board will choose four. From those four the membership will vote on the class. Participants can start signing up in January.

The nominating committee (Therese Springer, Ida MaCuick, and Kay Guillot) reported on volunteers for 2020 officer positions.

Marsha Robertson

Treasurer

Bonnie Devenport  
Kim Sawyer

Membership  
Website

The offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Newsletter Editor remain open. Joy encouraged others to volunteer; Venessa explained that incumbents have served in several offices and it's time for fresh viewpoints and ideas. Upon renewed appeal Michele Martin volunteered to be Secretary.

Joy asked for two volunteers to audit the 2019 guild treasury. They will examine the treasurer's records and meeting minutes to ensure expenditures were approved and deposits are accurate. Marsha Robertson agreed to participate, with the idea that it would be helpful to her as incoming Treasurer. Michele Martin, incoming Secretary, also volunteered.

Therese Springer announced that the board approved Bay Oaks' sponsorship of the upcoming GSQA Lotto Blocks. Sponsoring guilds choose a pattern and create kits (usually 20) with common background fabric in five different themes. Examples include reproduction, batik, brights, Christmas, etc. The kits are then sold at a price that will recoup their cost. At the following GSQA quarterly meeting blocks are turned in and a winner is chosen from among those who bought each category of blocks. Therese asked for volunteers to assemble the kits. Volunteers include Sue Rountree, Gretchen Fleming, Chris Jarrell, Ida MaCuick, Martha Slee, Marsha Robertson, Charlotte Timmons Sharon Barnes, and Kay Guillot, among others.

Important Dates:

Thursday, December 12, 2019 (Christmas party and business meeting)

Saturday, January 4, 2020 (sit 'n' sew)

Thursday, January 9, 2020 (business meeting)

Thursday, January 23, 2020 (program meeting)

Saturday, February 1, 2020 (sew 'n' draw)

Saturday, March 7, 2020 (Marie Fuselier circuit teacher class)

Saturday, March 21, 2020 (sit 'n' sew)

Joy reminded everyone that Jo Ann Lalone has de-stashed prior to moving to Florida, and there is fabric on the back table for all to take.

Gretchen Fleming won the November blocks, but as she has already won twice before, she asked that another ticket be drawn. Sharon Barnes won the blocks.

Venessa Saucier won the door prize.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm following a motion by Martha Slee and a second by Marge Sandy.

Show and Tell followed.