



SPRINGFIELD FIBER ARTISTS
LOCATION: THE LIBRARY CENTER
4653 S. CAMPBELL AVE. SPRINGFIELD, MO

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 18, 2024

The business meeting was called to order by President Karen A, who welcomed everyone, and asked attendees to tell everyone their name and to answer the following question: “Christmas just isn’t the same without _____”. Members enjoyed hearing what makes everyone’s Christmas special each year.

There were 22 current members present at the meeting. An attendance record sheet was passed around for attendees to sign, and attendees were also asked to sign their name on a holiday tag and drop the tag into a basket for a door prize drawing at the end of the meeting.

The minutes of the November meeting were emailed to members to review prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Barbara V. to accept the minutes and a second was made by Anita G. The motion carried.

The Nov 14-Dec 14, 2024 Treasurer’s Report was also included in an email to the membership prior to the meeting, for their review. The Treasurer, Barbara V, reviewed the report and explained why the Holiday Donations collected in November (\$155.00) were not deposited into the bank account, but given directly to the Holiday Donation Committee to purchase more looms to be given to Sense of Pride. A motion was made by Emmie S. to accept the Treasurer’s report, and a second was made by Dardi S. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Dardi S. reported on the Holiday Donation recipient this year and explained how the money collected in October and November was used to purchase looms and other fiber kits to be donated to “Sense of Pride” for school age children in the local community.
2. An inquiry was made about the status of an increase in SFA dues for the 2025-26 year. President, Karen Adams stated that the topic would be presented again in March 2025 after more data becomes available to the guild, and a decision would be made at that time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Joanna Feer announced she was gifting free foiling rolls to the SFA guild.
2. The topic of the new Member’s Market on the SFA website was discussed and President, Karen A. explained the function of the “chat” feature. A non-member (Elise) saw the web page feature and chatted with Karen about her need for a drum carder device that she will need to clean fiber. The pros and cons of allowing a non-member to post a request on the

website was discussed. It was decided that such a request be sent out to the membership via email rather than placing it on the website might be a better option for this situation.

The business meeting was adjourned.

The guild members enjoyed seeing all the “Show and Tell” items that members had brought.

A craft project was presented to the group by Dardi S & Pat W. where each member crafted a yarn fiber angel to use during the holidays. Members enjoyed making the angels.

An exchange gift game was played where members brought a wrapped gift of a favorite fiber tool to be exchanged and/or stolen from each other and was greatly enjoyed.

A drawing was done for an assortment of door prizes. As names were called, each member selected from the door prizes that were displayed. The winners of the drawing seemed pleased.

Hot Spiced Apple cider and an assortment of cookies were enjoyed by members throughout the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Walden, SFA Secretary
December 18, 2024