

NEBRASKA STATE QUILT GUILD
Board and Committees
January 30, 2010
Seward Memorial Library, Seward, NE

Merikay Gengenbach called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. She then passed the gavel to Sandy Hanson, 2010 president. Each person in attendance introduced themselves and the position they hold. Sandy gave Merikay a thimble charm and a quilt made by the members of the 2009 Board and Committee members. Merikay thanked Sandy and the board and presented each with a gift.

The following members and committee chairs were present:

Marty Kleppinger, Treasurer	Kandy Adams, Secretary 2009
Lois Wilson, Region I 2009	Darice Cecil, Membership
Linda Hough, NE State Fair	Angela McLean, NE State Fair
Sheri Ruwe, Region II 2009	Sheila Green, Education
LeAnne Killion, Threads	Shirley LaVene, Quilt NE 2010
Fay Kliewer, Quilt NE 2010	Jean Ford, Historian
Elaine Moore, Region III	Pam Thomas, Region III
Laura Barber	Jan Hibbs, Library Project
Connie Phillips, Region I	Sheila Beins, Assistant
Merykay Gengenbach, Advisor	Sandy Hanson, President 2010
LeeAnn Meduna, Secretary	Jocelyn Gray Region II

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved via email.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Marty Kleppinger reported fourth quarter 2009 income of \$21,632.66, fourth quarter expenses (\$20,661.84) with a net income of \$603.82.

Total 2009 year to date income is \$35,867.59: year to date expenses are (\$52,375.39) with a net income (\$16,507.80).

Total NSQG assets including checking, savings, and CD's is \$72,968.15.

REGION REPORTS

Region I- A Small Quilt Gathering was held on November 14, 2009 in Seward, NE with Paulette Peters and Sandy Anderson as speakers. 51 people attended.

Region II- no report

Region III- no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Quilt NE 2010- See written report. The convention is based on 275 attending. 150 rooms have been reserved in North Platte. We will only have to pay for 1 national teacher's room as we will be getting enough comp rooms to house the others. There will be 12 vendors due to decrease in attendance and all will be on the main floor. The national teachers will be asked to fly via Denver to North Platte.

Awards-Merikay gave general information on what the committee was working on as none of them were there. They are trying to rework the form so to make it easier to nominate. There were 14 nominated and 12 selected for awards in 2009.

By-Laws and Policies- No report given. Copy of the policies and procedures were handed out. Sandy also reminded that the by-laws are on the state website.

Education-Sheila Green did not give a class at Quilt NE due to low number sign up. She reported on presenting Discover Nebraska at the Seward guild and the women in Wahoo have already made their quilt. The 3 traveling quilts are all out doing education displays. She also has display panels made by Jan Stehlik about batting that would be available for use.

Historian- See handout. Jean Ford is updating the scrapbooks. A list was passed out (see sheet) of what is archived at UNL and what Jean has in her possession. Marjean Sargent has some of the earlier scrapbooks so Jean will look into that. Jean thought from her research, that a scanner may have been purchased by NSQG and she doesn't know where it is. Jean is putting an ad in the state newsletter asking for information on it. Some discussion was made about there being information at the State Historical Society about NSQG. Darice will email the archive contact at UNL to see if our scrapbooks and other information can be scanned.

***Jean Ford moved that the historian's description be changed to:**

Record NSQG events with labeled photos, newspaper clippings and a complete set of all published newsletters in an ongoing scrapbook. Safely store this and previous scrapbooks. Maintain an electronic format of these scrapbooks for posterity.

Mary Kleppinger seconded-motion passed.

Library-Jan Hibbs contacted Patchwork Place and they will give us a 57% discount on books ordered to place in the state's libraries. There are 290 libraries in the state. The library commission will provide labels for the books. She is asking for recommendations for books to purchase from this publisher.

Membership-Darice Cecil handed out a report (see form). She noted that if members have a change in email address, they should let her know as she emails the newsletters to the members. Year end membership totals were 703. YTD members are 439. She does note that she gets about 20/day membership applications so this is an ongoing number.

Newsletter-Darice Cecil handed out a form (see form). The \$20 membership fee does not cover the newsletter cost as it costs \$22-23 per member for 500 printed. About \$1000 is collected in advertising to help off set this cost. The bulk rate cost price break is 200 but the editor cost remains constant. It was suggested an article be included in the newsletter to point out the money saved by the electronic newsletter, that it comes quicker and in color.

Raffle Tickets-Sandy Hanson reports that 1671 tickets have been sold. \$1671 has been raised so far. Various sites are scheduled yet to come.

QNE Site Selection-no report

Nebraska State Fair-Angela McLean reported the need for more white gloves. Sheila Green said the Lincoln guild made their own white gloves. She also suggested that the IQSC be contacted for their source. The committee will contact previous committee members for suggestions as the state fair moves to Grand Island.

Threads Across Nebraska-LeAnne Killion reports that the vendor's contracts have been sent out. She has 9-10 responses already. The date is Oct 1-2, 2010. There was \$4815 profit last year. She will have the new brochures by the shop hop in April.

Website- No report.

Surfin Stitchers- No report.

NEW BUSINESS

2009 Memorial Designation/Names-Darice Cecil receives names of members who have passed. In the past the IQSC fund was designated for the \$250 memorial fund.

***Pam Thomas made a motion that the \$250 memorial be sent to the IQSC undesignated but be encouraged to use towards the NSQG room.
Connie Phillips seconded-motion passed**

Newsletter Copy/Advertisers-Some non-members who submit articles or ads request a copy of the newsletter. The cost to print is \$3.40 and \$1 to mail.

***Darice Cecil made a motion to charge \$5 per copy of mailed newsletter and free electronic newsletter for those requesting it.
Marty Kleppinger seconded-motion passed.**

Membership Brochure-The brochure needs to be updated. Discussion was held as to type and size. LeAnn Killion will look into pricing and printing. Sandy and Darice will work on the information included and the size.

Goals-Sandy would like to see the membership increased. She would like to see a quilt gathering in each district each year. Everyone was encouraged to be good ambassadors for the state guild in their area.

Threads Across Nebraska-LeAnne Killion reports that the Buffalo County fairgrounds new building in Kearney will be finished July 2010. It will be cheaper than the arenas in Kearney or Grand Island. They would provide the electricity, tables, chairs and other things without additional cost. Since we have already signed a contract for 2010, she will look into it for 2011. This will be tabled until the April meeting and concrete prices will be brought then.

Concern was voiced re: the concern of having Threads 6 weeks after the state fair and would there be enough volunteers. Changing the date was discussed and the consensus is to keep it in October so not to have to work around holidays and the weather.

Approval of 2010 Budget-Marty Kleppinger reviewed the budget presented (see form). Changes suggested were to increase the Historian's budget to \$100 and decrease the "Other" to \$150.

***Pam Thomas made the motion to accept the proposed budget with the increase to \$100 to the Historian and decrease to \$150 to "Other".
Connie Phillips seconded-motion passed.**

Approval of Quilt NE 2010 Budget-Fay Kliewer reviewed the QNE budget. There will be tote bags again this year for all attendees that are made from recycled bottles and are inexpensive. The 25th anniversary pins will be used as favors. The chairs will be the photographer for the event.

***Marty Kleppinger made a motion to accept the submitted Quilt Nebraska 2010 Budget.
LeeAnn Meduna seconded-motion passed.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Sandy would like to see the policies and procedures on the website and she will talk to Chris Wieggers about this.

The committee guidelines were handed out so all had a copy.

Sandy reminded all that when corresponding by email to put NSQG in the subject line...

The newsletter editor needs articles to put in the newsletter.

There is NSQG stationary available for board members to use.

Sandy wanted to see if there was membership interest in an embroidered NSQG logo on fabric. She also could look into screen printing. No other discussion.

Merikay has old marketing items left over from previous conventions. She will give to the 2010 Quilt NE chairs to use for door prizes or gifts.

The next board meeting will be April 24, 2010 at Material Girl in Grand Island, NE.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

LeeAnn Meduna, Secretary NSQG