PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD Meeting Minutes March 17, 2023

The meeting was called to order by out-going president Janice Batchelder at 1:02 pm. Janice introduced the new officers and new executive committee. Janice then moved and Cheryl Faconti seconded that the new officers be elected into office. The motion carried.

New president Francie Angwin gave a recap of the past two years and thanked people who helped during the challenges of Covid.

Janice Batchelder was elected to become our new treasurer, replacing Kalynn Oleson.

Sandy Hughes moved and Cheryl Faconti seconded that the minutes of our last meeting be approved. The motion carried.

Membership: Gail Spencer

Gail said that the new roster has been sent out, and we should check for any corrections needed. At present we have 67 paid members.

Treasurer: Kalynn Oleson

Our previous bank balance was \$32,349. Present balance is \$32,491.

Programs: Sylvia Evans, Kalynn Oleson

April will be a free-motion quilting class (4/20) by Karen Bolan.

May will be a 2-day workshop with Sandra Bruce on 5/17-18. People need to sign up for both of these classes.

2023 Challenge: Jan Carter, Melissa Finley

"Don't Be A Goose" is the theme for this year's challenge. It will run from May 12 through June 4 with an opening night on May 12. Entry forms need to be turned in by April 28. A size is asked for on the entry form, but it only needs to be an estimate. Don't hold back the form until your project is completely done. There will be an opening night reception and more information will follow about that.

2024 Challenge: Francie Angwin, Sandy Hughes

The theme will be "Anything Goes With 24 Squares." The quilts will need to have 24 squares somewhere on the front of them. The date has not been set yet, but will be either March, April, or May of 2024.

Fundraising 2023: Kim Madson, Cheryl Faconti

This month's turn-in was placemats with napkins. Six sets were turned in today. For April we are to make large microwave bowls or tortilla warmers. On April 4 there will be a workshop at Cheryl and Kalynn's studio to work on these items. It will start at 9:30. Please let Cheryl know if you'll be there. The date for Art In The Redwoods is 8/18-8/20. Festival of Trees will be 11/24-11/25. Andrea Polk won the drawing for The Loft gift certificate.

2023 Christmas FOT/GAC Christmas Tree:

Della Zita will be in charge of decorating the small Christmas tree for the festival's contest.

Comfort Quilts: Marcia Luchini

Marcia was not in attendance, but no comfort quilts have been given out in the last month. We can always use more comfort quilts, particularly masculine ones.

Quilts of Valor: Sandy Lockhart

Sandy showed a small red/white/blue wall hanging that she had been given. After discussion, it was decided to offer this for sale at our next fundraiser. Sandy gave out eight quilts the last time she went to Veteran's Hospital in Palo Alto, but she would like to have more to give them. We discussed giving out some Quilts of Valor to local veterans who live in our area. Barbara Fast said that the Point Arena Lighthouse is in the process of building a stone memorial to veterans, and it was proposed that we might have a showing of Quilts of Valor when that opens.

2023 AIR Quilt: Sandy Hughes, Marcia Luchini, Della Zita

Sandy reported that the quilt is in its final stages of completion and will be ready to hang at our Challenge show in May.

2024 AIR Quilt:

Jeri Kennedy volunteered to find a group and take on this job.

Community Outreach: Cheryl Faconti

The t-shirt store is open for long and short sleeved PPQG shirts. It will stay open until the end of April.

Publicity: Volunteer needed

Sandy Hughes said she will check on the listings for our meetings in the ICO.

July Picnic: Jan Carter

The picnic will be on July 21st, which is the date for our July meeting. It will be held at the picnic area of GAC. More information will be coming.

Hospitality: Kathy Mayda, Kim Madson

Monica Zarkowski volunteered to serve on this committee. Thanks went to Bonnie Coffey-Smith, Kim Madson, and Sandy Lockhart for today's treats.

Janice Batchelder gave a reminder that there will be a Second Thursday Workshop upstairs at GAC from 11:00 till 4:00. People may bring any kind of project to work on, not just a fundraising item.

Newsletter: Barbara Fast

Barbara is working on getting some history about our guild to publish in the newsletter. Andrea Polk recently wrote an article about Amish quilts which will be in the newsletter. Members are encouraged to write an article about something of interest for the newsletter. Articles and news need to be in to Barbara by the 25th of March.

2024 Retreat: Jan Carter

No report.

New Business:

Ft Bragg quilt show and quilt walk will be held June 24 and 25. More information will be in the newsletter.

Show and Tell:

Jan Carter showed a wall hanging she made which was a 100-day challenge.

Name Tag Drawing:

Gail Spencer won the name tag drawing.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 2:02 pm.

Program:

Francie led a short program where we came up with ideas about improving our guild.