

HHQG Meeting February 26, 2024: Held over Zoom with the Guild account.

President-- Ida Jenkins: Ida started the meeting at 7:00 pm and welcomed the members to the Zoom meeting. She asked to have one of the members accept the minutes of the January 2024 meeting. The minutes were accepted by Anne Balanyk and seconded by Maryann Ellwood. Ida wanted to keep the business short tonight to have more time for our visiting speaker.

Vice President—Vacant: Ida encouraged the members to consider this position. It is a good way to learn about how the Guild runs.

Secretary –Donna May: Nothing to report.

Barbara Shein-- Newsletter: Barbara noted that the deadline to contribute to the next newsletter is March 4th. Barbara thanked the members for getting their submissions to her early. Ida thanked Barbara for agreeing to take another term as Newsletter editor.

Outreach --Irene Rushworth: Details of Outreach report can be found in the newsletter.

Treasurer—Irene Rushworth: There is a summary of the Guild accounts in the newsletter.

Membership—Margaret Newey: There were 24 members present at the meeting. Anne mentioned that she had to change her email. Margaret made note of the new address and will update the membership list on the website.

Website—Margaret Newey: Nothing to report.

Zoom-- Sew and Chat –Margaret Newey: This is not active currently.

Facebook—Margaret Newey: Nothing to report.

Library Convener—Vacant --Temporarily Jane Symmes: The library is being dismantled. The books are for sale. The list of books for sale is in the private area of the website. Jane was not present. Ida mentioned that the books are selling well.

Workshop--Jane Symmes: Jane was unable to attend, (no access to zoom). The cathedral windows workshop was really enjoyed by the participants. Thanks Jane! Jane is looking for ideas for the next workshop this spring. What are you interested in? Please let Jane know.

Publicity Convener—vacant: Is there anyone interested in the role?

BOM—Vacant: This is a good entry position (non-executive). Ida explained the needs of the position. To provide a block every month starting September 2024. This could be part of a year-long project.

Hearts and Hugs-- Elaine Karton: Greetings have been sent. Anne received a get-well card.

Ida called for a 10 min break at 7:10

Program Convenor—Melinda Noble: Melinda introduced today's speaker Gail Berry from Gail Berry Quilts. Gail is a long arm quilter and educator. She is running an 8-week course on the fundamentals of EQ8 for \$100.00. You must have a copy of the program and the lesson book for beginners. This begins March 5th. You can contact Gail through her web site (www.gailberryquilts.com). Gail presented a trunk show of her work. She likes bright colours and tries to use her quilting in an empathetic way to enhance

a quilt. Her pink flower panel quilt showcasing her long arm quilting and her Pink (NOT—Salmon!) Flamingo quilt were memorable. Gail encouraged people to commit to helping their local guild. You really do get back what you put in.

Irene presented our “Show and Share” with a slide show. Ida submitted photos from the Cathedral Windows by Machine workshop, and three quilts (house quilt, red Spider quilt and 5” dark neutral challenge). She noted that with good contrast you can make even “difficult”, rejected fabric into a nice quilt. Teresa finished her pineapple workshop blocks into a lovely baby quilt and Anne made Mondo bags that the group were really interested in. Donna asked Anne to please let Jane know that making the Mondo bag might be a good workshop project.

Ida asked if there was any new business. Anne mentioned that the Georgetown Fair book has been published for this year. Ida reminded the members that the next meeting will be over zoom on March 25th and the next Executive meeting is May 6th.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47.

Submitted by Donna May Feb 27, 2024.