

## NAQG EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

March 1, 2010: McFarlin Methodist Church

### Members Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Colleen Bouchard, President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Bronston, Chair, Membership
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adrienne Fox, Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant, Chair, Programs
<input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Lynch, Past Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ruth Leidy, Chair, Newsletter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dianne Bauman, Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shirley Dixon, Chair, Publicity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Verna McNabb, Secretary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margaret Decker, Chair Ways & Means
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wilma DeBerry, Chair, Donation Quilts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anne Watkins, Chair, Quilt Show

### Others Present:

Peggy Irby, Co-Chair, Programs 2009       Joann Polgar, Co-Chair, Programs 2009

CALL TO ORDER: Colleen called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS: None

SECRETARY REPORT (Verna McNabb) Minutes were approved as printed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Colleen Bouchard): None.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Adrienne Fox): Adrienne noted she has door prizes for the March meeting, but then will need to purchase more. Several members stated they would go on a "field trip" to area quilt shops for donation solicitation. They will need to take a letter from the guild (for tax purposes) to give to any business donating a gift.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Dianne Bauman) Dianne presented the current balance sheet, showing a balance of \$6530.49. She also presented a proposed 2010 budget, along with a handout of the 2009 budget for comparison. Ways and Means budget was adjusted by subtracting \$50 from the website budget, adding \$50 to cover cost of storage containers, and \$50 each to Newsletter postage and newsletter printing line items. The 2010 budget was approved with changes.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donation Quilts (Wilma DeBerry): Wilma announced guild members contributing to the community quilts project were thrilled with the implementation of door prizes. She announced this summer, Celeste Stonecipher will be taking over as chair of this committee. Also noted is guild members have been prolific at donating quilts, and the local agencies currently have enough to meet their needs. Wilma asked board members to be thinking of other charities we could add to our list of agencies to provide quilts for. Verna noted a potential one-time project to assist a young quilter in Girl Scouts who has taken on a project to supply 100 quilts to an orphanage in Belarus. Verna will get a formal request for this and forward Colleen for discussion at its next Board meeting. If approved, it will then be presented to the general membership. Colleen voted to contact the VA Center to see if there is a need for quilts for residents. Other sites noted were the local CP center (J D McCarthy).

Ways and Means (Margaret Decker, Chair) Margaret turned in \$32.50 from last meeting's Ways and Means collections. She will obtain a key from Anne Watkins for the Ways and Means storage area.

Membership (Janet Bronston): Janet announced we have 80 members who either renewed or are new members for 2010. Also noted was a reminder the Norman Public Library demo day is scheduled for March 27 and members are needed to assist. The display will be on log cabin quilts, and members will be stationed around the demo room to show the steps in constructing a quilt. It was suggested Ways and Means have a table set up to sell items, and raffle tickets for the guild quilt be sold as well. Janet will write an article for the next newsletter announcing Library Demo Day and soliciting members to assist, as well as a reminder to renew membership to be included in the upcoming printing of the guild yearbook. She will mention to be able to enter a quilt in the upcoming July quilt show, one must be a current member of the guild.

Programs (Peggy Irby & Joann Polgar) Peggy noted the topic for the combined meeting with Edmond Guild is currently string quilts, but with our recent program with Elsie M. Campbell on string quilts, asked if we should ask the guest speaker for a different topic. The combined meeting has been held on the Rose State campus, and Peggy will work with Anne to contact the continuing education office to see if we can use the sewing lab in the social sciences building for the workshop. General discussion followed regarding breaking away from the joint meeting with Edmond Guild, which had originated in an effort for two new, small guilds to be able to combine resources to obtain a national speaker at least once a year. Generally, attendance at the combined meeting by NAQG members is lower than when located in Norman. This, coupled with our membership growth, led to the decision of the Board to let 2010 be the last combined meeting with the Edmond Guild. A letter will be written and sent to their Board president of this decision. Lastly, Peggy discussed the practice of giving a speakers fee to guild members who serve as guest speakers. It was noted that last year, a \$100 stipend was given to Beverly Long who had returned the donation, and our March guest speaker, Donna Skarvla has requested to not be given a speakers fee. The board members felt local guild members who present programs should be given the same stipend any other speaker is given, and thus voted to give Donna Skarvla \$100. General discussion was held to the urgent need for a new programs chair and ways to entice members to serve in this capacity. Several members agreed the Program Chair should be given free registration to the corresponding programs provided by monthly guest speakers, as they are required to facilitate the programs and assist the guest speaker in any needed capacity. No formal decision re. this was made. Several potential program topics were discussed, including having a repeat visit from Pat Klitz (sister of Eleanor Burns), Cynthia Rigone from Dallas to do a trunk show, someone to do a trunk show in August showcasing Carrie Miller's quilts, demo night, garage sale night, or another full-day community quilt work day.

Newsletter (Ruth Leidy): Ruth noted Friday, March 5, is the deadline to send articles for the next newsletter and asked board members to contribute. Wilma will send in an article about the first Mystery retreat weekend, and committee chairs will send in articles as needed. A suggestion was made to have a "tips of the month" section as well as a section for local sale of quilt-related items. Ruth also noted that advertising is down this year, with only six advertisers thus far. Suggestion was made to contact Marci Carey to advertise her quilt retreat weekends.

Publicity (Shirley Dixon): Shirley announced she is scheduled to have a table at the upcoming Cleveland County Craft show to sell raffle tickets for the NAQG quilt. She has toured several area business to place guild information, including the Norman Train Depot, and Hancocks. She is having more bookmarks printed. She also discussed the annual Christmas party, stating we need someone to organize and chair this event as we need to start working on door prizes now to be ready for the party in December.

Ad Hoc: No report.

Quilt Show Committee: (Anne Watkins): Anne announced all committees working on the July quilt show are on target. The vendor slots are full, but we are still in need of one more sponsor. Still needed is to finalize the gift bags and to solicit "freebies" for these.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Verna McNabb, Secretary