

Santa Rosa Quilt Guild
Business Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2014

President Vicki David called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, and reminded members to turn off or mute their cell phones.

Introductions:

Guest Eileen McArdle and new member Brenda Lodge were introduced and welcomed.

Old Business:

Vicki noted that copies of the Guild's revised Bylaws had been emailed out and printed copies provided, so we may vote on them today. Vicki gave members a brief background on our revision process and how Deb Schoenstein mentored us through the process, donating much of her time to our efforts. The major changes include:

- Reducing the Elected Board to 11 members from 28, with 7 being Elected Officers and 4 Members-at-Large.
- The positions of Recording and Corresponding Secretary will now be combined into one position, and the Past President would no longer be required to be an Elected Board Member.
- Vicki also noted the words "and Annual" would be deleted from the document if approved (Article 5, Section B, Number 1, Item h).

MOTION: Elizabeth McDonnell moved that the SRQG Bylaws amendments be approved by the General Membership. Genelle Voorhees seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

New Business:

None

Quilt Related Announcements:

Carol Jarvis has a 4 thread serger to sell.

Carolle LeMonnier noted that next meeting is the Founders Day Luncheon, and asked members to sign up to bring food for the event.

Marilyn Lira displayed some dishes left at the quilt show in June.

UFO Challenge: Debby Bainbridge returned money and gave chocolate and a fat quarter to Jan Westerman and Jim Jensen, the only members to complete their UFO Challenges.

Margo Pitter and Carolle LeMonnier gave a report on our new Affiliate, "Bolt," a fabric shop in Cloverdale. Margo also noted that Gari at Quilty Pleasures now has silk batting in stock.

Affiliate Presentation:

None

Committee Reports

Phyllis Gallaway displayed several Friendship Blocks for Rhonda and Jan Westerman. She noted several openings for Rhonda, Jan, and Community Quilts.

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Phyllis noted that the September Retreaters will leave on Sunday, and told attendees to contact her if they have questions.

Phyllis announced that the Craft Fair in November will operate in a manner similar to the Sewing Room Sale, but only hand crafted items will be sold. Those interested should contact her.

Phyllis has 16 signed up for the Houston trip and will be finalizing the group airfare on Friday. The flight may leave very early in the morning, so she is compiling a list of hotels near the Oakland airport for those interested.

Programs and Workshops – Genelle Voorhees and Joanie Bellinghausen displayed Rhonda Denny’s “My Favorite Chair,” from Alethea Ballard’s pattern. The workshop is in November, but will fill fast, so Genelle urged members to sign up and secure a seat with a check or cash payment. Genelle also noted that she has more rooster patterns from Michelle Peerson’s class at \$6.00 each.

Block of the Month – Jim Jensen introduced the block for September, a paper pieced Maple Leaf. Debby Bainbridge won the Hunter’s Star Block for August.

TSW – Gari Jones announced that the TSW would be Rhonda Denny’s “Wee Pins,” one half hour after the meeting adjourns. Metha Schuler’s “Selvedge Bags” will be the final TSW for the year. Gari also displayed two of the bags she purchased from Haiti’s “School of Blessings.”

Nomination Committee – Jenine Giblin reported that the 2015 Elected Board still has several openings, and noted that interested members may contact her or any committee member, Pam McVey, Leslie Kruse, Janet Shore, or Carolle LeMonnier.

Community Quilts – Anne Dondero reiterated the need for quilts for teens aging out of the Foster Care system, particularly boys, as well as boys of all ages.

Community Outreach – Mirna Estes displayed a number of scarves turned in and noted that the group is now working with the North Bay Veteran’s Resources, an organization that helps homeless Veterans. Lavella Cassinelli read a thank you note from NBVR as well.

Library – Sharon Fry introduced a number of new books and magazines. Sharon also presented the new checkout system for specialty rulers.

Show And Tell

Name Tag Drawing:

Winners were Carolyn Massell and Adelaide Haberman, with 119 members signed in.

Final Announcements:

Phyllis displayed an office chair from The Container Store, so members could try it out if desired.

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Vicki described her idea for a "Referrals Binder" that members could utilize to give references for plumbers, handymen, contractors, gardeners, etc. Members agreed that it would be a good resource, so Vicki will start a binder, which will be kept on the hall table with quilt show announcements.

Linda Hooper thanked everyone for bringing in completed Mystery Quilts and asked to have the quilts brought back for a group Show and Tell on November 6th.

Vicki adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Andrews
Recording Secretary