

Brooklyn Quilters Guild Board Meeting December 9, 2023

Attendance: Martha McDonald, Katie Mahoney, Serena Boyles, Leona Shapiro, Richie Doron, Christine Augenbraun, Susan Aronoff, Nancy Russell

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 by Co-president Martha McDonald, who also facilitated.

Minutes

The minutes of the November 4, 2023, meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Leona has submitted the report in writing. "We are in good shape." There will be a report at the December general membership meeting.

Programming

December

Cookie Share: Members will be asked to bring a dozen or so cookies to exchange. The cookies will be set up in the space usually occupied by the vendor. There will be sandwich bags provided for taking the cookies home. Regular hospitality will be provided as well.

2024 Goals: Members will, at the tables, formulate written SMART goals for 2024, focused on quilting. The goals will be collected and made into an article for the *Bee*.

Icebreaker: Members will, at the tables, discuss among themselves their "quirky" quilting habits.

January

Apron Workshop: The workshop will be announced at the December meeting with a December 31 deadline for signing up. It's on the website; there has been no response yet.

June

A *Members' Marketplace* will be held.

Vendors

There will not be a vendor at the December meeting. Richie Doron will vend in January. No vendors have been scheduled for subsequent months. Richie has given some business cards of potential vendors to Carol Lieberman to contact. Some have expressed interest; some want to do demos. It was suggested that vendors be expanded to other fiber arts, e.g., knitting. Consensus was that vendors should be restricted to quilting.

Trunk Shows

There is no trunk show scheduled for December; however, Richie volunteered that he would be able to provide one.

Membership

There are 224 members currently. The membership directory will be updated.

Guest Fee

The guest fee will be \$10 starting in January. A notice will be in the *Bee*, and the website will be updated.

Raffle Quilts

Susan Sato has donated a quilt to be raffled, with the proceeds going to the Guild. The quilt will be on view at the December and January meetings. Tickets will begin selling at the December meeting for \$5 each. The raffle will take place at the February meeting. Chris has two vintage yo-yo quilts that could also be raffled.

Iris Holdner Notions

Martha Musgrove will bring Iris's quilting supplies to the January meeting to be sold. There will be a price tag on each item which Martha Musgrove will do. She may need help manning

the table. Martha McDonald will check with Martha Musgrove as to what help she needs. Leona recommended that the money be placed in the member support account. (There are four separate bank accounts: member support account, Lenni Abel account, show account, Eileen Anderson account.)

Beginner Class

The Guild does not have the resources to provide a beginner class. It was decided to find where classes are offered and refer members to those venues.

Storeroom

Chris Peterson was given the ok to do whatever was needed. Shelving has already been installed.

Donations

Margaret Marcy received a donation (a box for each day of Advent) from Liam O'Connor, most of which she turned over to Martha McDonald who will in turn give it to Margaret Walsh for the raffle.

Brooklyn Bee

Assistance with publishing the *Bee* is still urgently needed. Susan suggested that the work could be divided among several people. It used to be split among three people, but now Susan does it all. Martha suggested a box be put in every issue, asking for content. She also suggested that the publishing schedule be reduced to four times/year. Micki Segel has volunteered to write a show column. Nancy volunteered to proofread. Susan is interested in pushing ways to reuse/repurpose. No decisions were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Russell, Secretary

