

**Brooklyn Quilters Guild
Board Meeting
September 19, 2023**

Minutes:

Approve minutes of June Board Meeting (already approved) and summer meeting.
Moved to approve by Leona. Seconded by Chris. Approved unanimously.

Masks at meetings – The website currently says: Masks are encouraged at meetings. If you are experiencing illness, please stay home and join us on Zoom
Richie has suggested saying “Maks are voluntary....” What do you all think?

Notes: Decided to leave as “Masks are encouraged...”

Programming Updates – (1) Pillowcase Palooza to be held after the September meeting. (2) Round-bowl class to be taught by Kirsten Fisher. First part after the October meeting, second part on the next day, Sunday, on Zoom. How to sign up, etc. (3) Any other plans? Round Robin, etc.

Notes:

Chris had a question about food for the Pillowcase Palooza.

Decision: An hour before the end of the meeting, we can get a show of hands of how many will be eating. That will give us the chance to know how much pizza to order.

Leona had a question regarding payment for Kirsten’s workshop. Where is the money coming from? Will it come from the member support fund or Eileen Anderson?

Decision: the funds will come from the Eileen Anderson fund

Chris had a question about whether we should have themes for the show & tells.

Decision: Some months we could and some months keep it open. For the September meeting, we could encourage people to show their summer work.

Richie: Has a suggestion of a teacher that he met at the quilt show he was just at: David Sirota. He’ll bring the business card to the meeting on Saturday.

Treasurer’s Report – Leona

Notes: We’re in good shape financially.

Question came up as to whether we need to build up more of a nest egg before our next show in two years. Leona said it depends on the cost of the venue selected. To get more money into the show account, we’d need to raise dues. Right now there’s over \$20,000 in that account.

Help needed for the Bee – Any thoughts?

Keep this in mind as we move forward.

From Andrew – If you and/or the board ever decide that Bee Blasts and access to the Guild's Gmail account and all that would be better handled by a board member, just let me know and I'll happily walk whoever you designate through the whole process. It's not terribly complicated but there are a few tips and tricks I can share.

Notes: All agreed that we're happy to have Andrew continue to write and put out the Bee Blasts.

Hospitality at the September meeting – Nancy Russell cannot be there. Should we ask for a volunteer in the Bee Blast?

Notes: Leona suggested putting a note in the Bee Blast that Nancy won't be there and everyone is on their own to bring in what they want for refreshments. Richie added that a note could also go in that there will be pizza for those that stay for the PillowcasePalooza.

Anything else you would like to add? — Kirsten's class after the October meeting. She said she would charge less if it doesn't run the full six hours

Leona added that she'd like the new presidents to make presentations to the outgoing board members with the fat quarters. She has them at her house. (Margaret, Micki & Alice)

Chris said that the bylaws state that there needs to be a review of the bylaws every 5 years. She's wondering where we are in this matter. Susan said that Margaret has been president since 2018, so she may know about this.

Chris noticed that on the website, it still says to contact "Margaret and Micki"; that needs to be changed to the current board presidents.

Chris noticed that for the storage unit, when the board changes, they need a letter from the guild on letterhead stating the names of the two people who have access. The two currently listed are not involved; Chris Petersen should be listed and Chris Augenbraun offered to be the second person.