

Brooklyn Quilters Guild
Summary of Executive Meeting
December 11, 2021

Present: Serena Boyles, Micki Segel, Alice Braziller, Barbara Christ, Leona Shapiro and Margaret Marcy Emerson

Others in attendance: Martha McDonald, Susan Aronoff

Absent: Michael Sengstack, Barbara Danzi

Serena moved to approve the **minutes of the November meeting**. Leona seconded, and the board unanimously approved the motion.

Financial Report:

Leona reported that we have pennies in interest from both our saving and checking accounts. She also informed us that \$15 out of every \$60 membership fee go to our Quilt Show Account. This account is well endowed now because we didn't have to pay the expenses for the show last year. However, there will be less income from the next show because many of the future entrants have already paid. Margaret has the names of people who already bought tickets for our cancelled show.

Margaret purchased a projector for the Zoom show and tell. She will send the receipt to Leona.

Alice moved to approve the financial report. Barbara Christ seconded, and the board unanimously approved the motion.

Program Report

Four people signed up for the upcoming Free Motion Quilting Workshop. We will be sure to talk it up at the next meeting. Margaret believes that it will fill up as the link only just went live.

Father Larry said we could put up a few tables at the December meeting, and that if nothing goes wrong, we can relax some protocols.

Regarding future trunk shows: Lois Strasberg is hesitant about presenting. Susan Aronoff suggested an interview format might make her more comfortable. Micki will check in with Pat Decker about presenting in January.

Chris Janove and Valerie Turer would also be excellent candidates as presenters. Micki will run these names by Michael Sengstack and Barbara Danzi.

To celebrate African American Heritage Month at our February guild meeting, we are hoping African American members of our guild will do a trunk show or presentation. Marilyn Gipson's name came up as a possible contact.

Madi Appell, chairperson of the Leni Abel Fund, is ready to step down. She would like to continue to introduce each workshop by sharing a few words about Leni's creative legacy. Margaret will talk to Michael Sengstack and Barbara Danzi about wrapping management of the fund into the vice presidents' duties.

Membership Report

We currently have 178 members, including two new members.

The two guest members attending December's meeting have been notified of safety protocols.

Technical Report

The challenge remains how to increase participation among members attending our in person meetings virtually. This includes finding ways that will allow them to speak. Margaret will continue to explore solutions.

December Meeting

Nancy Russell, chair of our hospitality committee, will be bringing tablecloths and plates and making coffee. Members who bring cookies will be asked to label those that are gluten and nut free. In our efforts to be as green as possible, members will be asked to bring their own mugs though we will have paper cups available.

We will decorate our space with the potholders made for the exchange. Leona will bring clothespins. Margaret and Serena will bring rope. No members who will be attending virtually are participating yet.

Members are asked to dress up in the spirit of the holiday.

New Business

Nothing to report other than the general feeling that things are going well.

Alice moved to adjourn the meeting. Barbara Christ seconded the motion, and the board unanimously approved the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:26.

Respectfully submitted,
Alice Braziller