

St. Croix International Quilt Guild Business meeting July 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 5:59 PM by President Bonnie Hunter. During roll call, members told where they were born and where they live now. Thirty-two people attended the meeting.

Minutes were accepted on motion by Lynda Duplissea and second by Jude Clark.

Mary Ann O'Brien, Treasurer, reported on our financial situation.

Lynda Duplissea reported on "Flamingo Down East," an event with the Machias guild. Fun afternoon with flamingo and garden themed games. Blockhead is a quilt group in Lubec, not associated with Pine Tree. Lynda attended a show they had this summer.

Positions filled: Historian, Lindy Hatt and Leona Juranty. Hospitality will now be headed by Irene Galway. Jude Clark volunteered to take the pictures at Show and Tell and post them on Facebook.

Sue Martell is organizing a showing of quilts at Grand Lake Stream the last weekend of the month. Our new revised brochure will be available there and tickets for the raffle quilt will be sold.

Bonnie Hunter presented our outgoing president with a gift of friendship blocks made and signed by members of the chapter.

Bonnie Hunter reported on an Executive Board meeting held after the June business meeting. They recommend that we advance a loan to the show committee of \$500 for supports to hang quilts. Motion made and seconded and passed.

Mary Ann reported that Sarah's House has a list of items they need. This will be posted on the website.

Pine Tree has revised their by-laws and recommends that the chapters review them and review our own bylaws.

Executive Board reviewed the by-laws listing the duties of various jobs as well as what the group proposes to do. One item is to organize "fun" activities. Bonnie listed some ideas that the Board discussed. Promote the art of quilting: how about a quilt camp in the summer for children? Discussed purchase of a flat screen TV for Youtube tutorials. Have a documentation day? Next Executive Board meeting October 27 at Joline's house.

Lynda Duplissea solicited help in distributing the show posters, bookmarks, etc. She reported: August Patchwork Press column submitted; ad for our quilt show appears on Pine Tree Web site and in August Patchwork Press edition; Bangor Daily News article can be seen online under Downeast News.

Joanne Spencer and Jude Clark presented the schedule of Saturday and Wednesday workshops. See the website for details.

Please give Sue Martell quilt blocks that can be used outside the quilt show on clothesline as a display to draw people in to the show.

Wanda reported for Fund Raising. You can register for 2019 membership; see Mary Ann. Lynda Duplissea, Publicity Chair, asked for help distributing posters for the quilt show.

Sue Martell spoke about the quilt show. Bonnie will send an invitation to the Machias guild to show quilts at our show. Sue asked that people might lend chrysanthemums to the show. She would like to use wooden clothes hangers, the old fashioned type for hanging pants, if people have any to lend. Bonnie has registration forms and inventory forms for the September quilt show.

Mary Ann reported that we will not be doing the tea again. More workers than guests. We need to come up with a new idea of something to do for the Methodist Homes.

Sept 8 – 22 is a show in Grand Manaan.

Fourteen hospice quilts turned in so far this year.

Mary Louise presented a two minute tip. So many fancy stitches on many machines. Make a sampler of all the stitches and annotate the sampler with the number of the stitch on your machine.

The results of the monthly tinner exchange were displayed.

Joanne Spencer's program was titled "To Starch or Not to Starch." If you wash your fabric before you use it, you should starch. Two types of fabric that should always be prewashed: flannel and minky. Then starch when you are ready to cut it. Storing starched fabric will result in creases and the starch attracts silverfish. Various products available. Make your own starch from recipes on the Internet. Joanne prefers a recipe of water and vodka. (1 oz vodka to 8 oz water) Christie McIver, Lynda Duplissea, and Meg Rothberg each went home with a bottle of vodka spray starch.

Lynda Duplissea won the fabric draw.

Thirteen members showed their work at Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane M. Eaton, Secretary