

St Croix International Quilt Guild
August 17, 2011

Meeting called to order at 6 PM with well over 30 people present. Eight guests and/or new members introduced themselves. The Pig was passed for members who were not wearing name tags to pay a 25 cent fine.

Secretary's report read by Jane Eaton, accepted on motion by Marilyn Wimmergren and second by Diane Finnegan.

Treasurer's report: Balance coming in \$1404.57. Debits \$211.19 Credits \$34.00
New balance: \$1227.38

Executive Board meetings resulted in following:

The surveys indicated members are positive about the fellowship and sociability and negative about too much charity work, wanting more emphasis on education.

Refreshments will be held after the meetings from now on and meeting will start at 6 PM

From now on to participate in the fabric draw, those who bring fabric will pay \$1 and those who want to participate but have not brought fabric will pay \$3.

Members voted to change the Christmas party to Wednesday this year, first Week of December.

The Board has a number of changes to the by-laws to recommend. Bonnie reviewed the changes which can be seen on line. These changes will be voted on next month.

Announcements:

Annual dues due tonight--\$16

Next month's fabric is infant. This is a reversal of August and September on the printed list.

Area 5 meeting: October 26

Bonnie introduced the new chairs of Standing Committees who are members of the Executive Board:

:Membership: Joanne Spencer

Fundraising: Theresa Wright

Special Events: Diane Finnegan

Quilt Show: Joanne Spencer

Publicity: Sue McIver

Website: Bonnie Hunter

Special Committees are as follows:

Block of the Month: Joanne Spencer

Historian: Looking for volunteer

Hospitality: Geri Reynolds and Wanda Pollock

Show & Tell: Paulyne Ward and Mary Louise Peters

Lap Quilts: Sue McIver

Representative to Area 5: Bonnie Hunter

Friday October 14, 6 PM will be the next Executive Board meeting. These meetings are open to all members. The meeting will be held at Joline Cook's house. Anyone who wants to attend should let Bonnie know so she can be sure we have enough pizza

Joline reported on the Studio Tour. Twenty people visited the studios where there were some refreshments. That evening others joined for supper at the Redcliffe. Dana donated a grand prize of quilting services and there were other prizes as well. Joline circulated surveys to get feedback from those who participated. There are nice pictures of the Studio Tour on the website.

Saturday workshops Joline Cook

None in September. Greenland Point retreat.

October 1: Making bowls from clothesline and fabric with Joline Cook

None in November. Woodland craft fair

Wednesday workshops Liz Trouant

September 7: Pat Wyeth will show her method of crazy piecing. Fabric supplied by Pat. Just bring machine.

Oct 5: Practice machine quilting. Bring four sandwiches, about 14" square to practice. Need a free motion quilting or darning foot. Special gloves or materials help.

Nov 2: Puzzle Star with partial seam taught by Bonnie Hunter.

Sign up for workshops.

Business meeting workshops: Bonnie Hunter

September: Dana will teach "All About Thread" and we will have a Scotch auction for a collection of thread. We are trying to raise funds to bring in teachers from away.

October: Quilted handbag show. Members to bring bags they have made. Instruction on how to put in magnetic closures.

November: Color theory the Jinny Beyer way

Fundraising Theresa Wright

Some items offered for sale at the meeting. We will be selling items at a craft fair in Woodland to send kids to camp at Greenland Point

Membership Joanne Spencer

Joanne will send new membership list electronically but hard copies will be available at meetings.

Quilt Show Joanne Spencer

She has her committee and they have met once so far. Anyone who wants to help should come forward. Someone has donated a quilt kit which is being constructed for the show raffle quilt. 2012 show will be September 29 and 30.

Old Business:

Small group met to do yoga with Christine Felkner. Liz suggested we make a donation to the Calais Rec Department for \$50 to thank her. So moved on motion by Meg Rothsburg with second by Sandra Hill. Motion passed.

There are problems with Greenland Point retreat because director John Speed is having heart surgery. Bonnie will monitor this and let people know. If it is cancelled, everyone will get a refund.

New Business

Motion by Joanne and second by Theresa to reimburse Bonnie for thread purchased for the Scotch auction.

Pat Wyeth wants to have a library which she would keep a list of the books the guild owns. If someone wants to take out a book they must contact her to ask her to bring a book to a meeting. There will be overdue fines and books not returned must be paid for.

Joanne Spencer explained the way we have been doing Block of the Month. The number of people participating has dwindled over time. Starting in January, there will be a block pattern each month and each member will choose her own colors. The members will make a block and keep that block. At the end of the year there will be enough blocks for the member to have a quilt. First pattern is free. If you make the block, you get the next month's pattern free. If you don't make the block, then next month's pattern will cost \$1.00. The finished quilt will be shown this fall so people will have a few months to choose the fabric.

Beverly Reed (?) suggested we have a program with someone to show basic sewing machine maintenance.

Marilyn Wimmergren demonstrated construction of Rapid Fire Hunter's Star. DAT Quilt Lady has ruler for this square and Marilyn says it is a miracle!

Member Pat Wyeth is getting married on Sept 10 and was given an umbrella full of scraps. There was also a shower cake.

Fabric drawing won by Cynthia Paris. There was no Block of the Month.

Eighteen people showed items for Show and Tell.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane M. Eaton