

Comox Valley Schoolhouse Quilters

Minutes of General Meeting held February 2, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

President's Opening Remarks

Raelene Robertson reiterated her pleasure at being back to quilting and welcomed all members and guests.

Motion to adopt the minutes of the General Meeting held on January 5, 2016:

Moved by: Karrie Phelps Seconded: Nerissa Thomas Passed

Treasurer's Report – Sharon Latham

1. There is approximately \$15,000.00 in our chequing account, high interest savings account and GIC.
2. Our trust account holds \$8,000.00, mostly for the Camp Homewood Retreat.

Presidents' Report – Raelene Robertson and Pat McEwen

1. Raelene Robertson noted that there will be a cleaning session of our electrical extension cords. There is an excessive buildup of adhesive from the masking tape such that it is difficult to unwind them. The tape is used to anchor the cords to the floor to avoid tripping. She also spoke of the collection of items that were left on the free table at the end of the evening. Raelene Robertson asked that magazines be placed in the members' work areas to be picked up and read. She asked members not to place magazines on the free table, as it is possible that members read them, and then return them to the free table after the donor has left for the day.
2. Raelene Robertson informed the members that the Guild has purchased a 3rd iron that can be brought out if the waiting times become too long.

3. There has been a request from the public to make a lap quilt. Anyone interested, please speak to Raelene Robertson for details.
4. Due to the absence of a volunteer to organise Nautical Days, it was announced that the venue will be held every second year unless someone steps up to be responsible for organising it before the paper work is due. There will be a boutique during the Quilt Show, so if members have been making items to sell, they can participate at the May venue.
5. Pat McEwen is the sole member of the Nominating Committee. She notified members that coming this September, the guild will need a new Vice President, Secretary and Advertising Chair. She urged members to volunteer or to suggest possible candidates.
6. Since all of the lockup committee members will all be attending retreat on Thursday February 16, 2017, an email will be sent out informing members of a possible early close.
7. Tickets for a draw were distributed to all members wearing non-masking tape name tags. June Boyle was the draw winner.

Committee Reports

Retreat – Beverly Luck

Beverly Luck reminded all those registered for the February retreat to refer to the information in the newsletter. The final payment is due tonight. Janis Davis will be demonstrating several items during retreat. Members were informed that there will be no fire in the main room due to a crack in the chimney, so bring an extra sweater to keep warm.

Community Quilts – Nerissa Thomas

Nerissa Thomas read out thank notes from a recipient of a breast cancer bag and a mother who had received a baby quilt. Both were very appreciative of the unexpected gifts. Guild members were encouraged to donate placemats, as our reserve has been depleted.

Nerissa Thomas thanked the members for the overwhelming number of squares and flimsies that were produced for the Ronald McDonald Quilt Bee. She will continue to collect them until April 30, 2017.

May 2017 Quilt Show – Nerissa Thomas

Nerissa Thomas updated the guild on the progress of the Quilt Show Planning. The posters and handbills are ready. The volunteer list will be out in March. Thanks to all the volunteers.

Members Announcements

Judy Morrison has arranged for another extra quilt day and mini workshop scheduled for March 29, 2017. The hall will be available from 9:00AM to 9:00PM at a cost of \$10.00. The January 25, 2017 extra quilt day was well attended.

Also, the Comox Valley Fall Fair on August 25-27, 2017 will have a challenge quilt contest with a theme of “Canada 150 and Growing” sponsored by Fabricland. She encouraged members to make one Canada quilt that could be entered into both the HAW Challenge and our local Fall Fair.

Program – Vintage Quilts and their Stories

Show and Tell

In-house Raffle – Mary Lou Morden and Diane Cave

Word Search Raffle – Sam Crewe

Show and Tell Draw– Jan Hill

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.