

Comox Valley Schoolhouse Quilters

Minutes of General Meeting held March 2, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM.

President's Opening Remarks

Raelene Robertson welcomed all members and guests.

Motion to adopt the minutes of the General Meeting held on February 2, 2016:

Moved by: Nerissa Thomas Seconded: Ruth Weir Passed

Treasurer's Report – Sharon Latham

1. There is approximately \$14,200.00 in our chequing account, high interest savings account and GIC. There have been expenses for prizes and an iron.
2. Our trust account holds \$4,300.00 as the Camp Homewood Retreat has been paid. The balance is mostly workshop registration fees.

Presidents' Report – Raelene Robertson and Pat McEwen

1. Raelene Robertson announced that there will be a policy change to state that there will be exceptions to the hall being available every Thursday from 9:00AM to 9:00PM. In such cases where weather, power outages, voting days and guild retreats would limit the feasibility of having the hall open for the full day, the last two remaining members will be responsible for early lockup of the hall.
2. The guild has received information on two quilt shows in June. The Sunshine Coast Guild Quilt Show is on June 17-18, 2017. The Grouse Mountain Quilt show is on June 10, 2017. Further details will be posted on our bulletin board.
3. Due to the absence of a volunteer to step forward to organise Nautical Days, it was announced that the venue will be held every second year.

Raelene Robertson will contact Paul Baal who is the coordinator for Nautical Days

4. The President's Challenge quilts will be revealed during our April meeting. Participants are asked to bring in their entries by 5:00PM so the organizers can display them on the sails. There will be a random draw for prizes for participants.
5. Raelene Robertson noticed that there was a long line up for the microwave oven at lunch time. She asked for members to speak to her with suggestions for a solution.

Committee Reports

Workshops – Lynda Reid

Lynda Reid reported that there are two spaces available for the Mystery Quilt workshop that will be held March 11, 2017. To help with fabric selection, there is a sample on the workshop sign up table. Spaces are open for the Bargello Quilt workshop scheduled for March 25, 2017. There will be a preparation class on March 16, 2017. The roll top bag class is full. Our last workshop is on machine applique on May 27, 2017.

HAW – Mary Lou Morden

Mary Lou Morden expects further information on the Campbell River HAW at the end of March. Anyone with suggestions for hosting the 2018 HAW by the Schoolhouse Quilters is encouraged to talk to Mary Lou.

Baby Quilts – Colby Sherstone

There is a need for more baby quilts. Twelve kits have been assembled in our storage room for anyone wanting to help out.

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 notices have been distributed in Victoria and Nanaimo. The volunteer list will be out in a few weeks. Anyone wishing to sell items at the boutique, please contact Jan Hill or Anne McCullough.

Members Announcements

Val Bearpark

Val Bearpark revealed that she has been battling ovarian cancer and wanted to inform the members about the signs to watch for, as it is difficult to diagnose. For many months doctors were unable to tell her the cause of her discomfort. It was she herself who came to the conclusion which was finally confirmed so treatment could be started. On the positive side, many new treatments are being developed to fight the disease.

Judy Morrison

There will be an extra quilt day on March 29, 2017 along with a mini-workshop. The fee is \$10.00.

Judy Morrison reminded members to enter the Comox Valley Exhibition Challenge and to show their quilts at the Fall Fair.

There will be instructions on how to lock up the hall posted on the trifold bulletin board and in our kitchen cupboard. As a safety measure, the last two members should be driving out of the parking lot at the same time, so no one is left alone at the end of the night.

Margery Arnold

A number of the Schoolhouse Quilters guild members are also members of the Evergreen Club hand quilters at the Filberg Centre. They meet on Mondays from noon to 3:00PM to hand quilt quilts for a reasonable fee. All moneys go the centre for equipment. They are currently looking for items to hand quilt.

Program – Threads

Show and Tell

Thread Jars - Jackie Greening and Anneli Purchase

In-house Raffle – Jan Hill and Debbie Maxwell

Word Search Raffle – Pat McEwen

Show and Tell Draw– Sandy Schille

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.