

Comox Valley Schoolhouse Quilters

Minutes of General Meeting held Thursday, May 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at: 6:30 pm

President's Opening Remarks – Janis Davis

Janis welcomed everyone. We had 2 guests from the Parksville Guild and no new members this month. Janis reminded everyone that our "Sunshine Lady", Trudy Thorne, sends out cards to any members that are ill or who need a little sunshine in their live, and to let her know of anyone who needs some "sunshine". Trudy mentioned that she is running out of cards and if anyone had some extra cards around (get well or sympathy for example) a donation would be much appreciated.

Motion to adopt the minutes of the General Meeting held on April 5, 2018:

Moved by: **Ardythe Crawford** Seconded: **Carol Metner**

Treasurer's Report – In Sharon Latham's absence, Janis gave a brief summary of the past month's finances. There were no transactions in the gaming account. There are two outstanding cheques that haven't been cashed, and Sharon requested that cheques be cashed promptly. This is especially important at this time of year when the year's books need to be balanced.

President's Report –Janis Davis

Janis pointed out the new finish on the floors and asked that members be very careful not to drag tables or chairs across them. Last month, Janis was approached by the Mayor of Cumberland, Leslie Baird, and asked if the guild would be interested in donating a quilt that they would use in a fundraiser. The funds raised would be used to provide free rides and games for children at the upcoming Empire Days. Nerissa Thomas, Community Quilts, was able to donate a quilt from the Community Quilt stash.

Janis announced two upcoming quilt shows. The Quadra Island Quilt and Garden Show is June 23 & 24 and the Chilliwack Guild are having Piece Making in the Valley in the fall. Information about both of these is on the bulletin board.

Our elections for next year will be held at the June 7th meeting. We have some potential volunteers for the positions that need filling, but anyone interested in volunteering for anything should let the executive know.

Committee reports, budget requests for September 2018 to June 2019 and a description of each committee is due on or before June 14. June 14 will be the last Executive Meeting until August.

The Pot Luck Dinner will be held on June 14, with dinner at 6pm. We will be playing the Left, Right and Centre Game and members are requested to bring 3 – 10 inch squares, in blues and yellows. The Small Works group will be doing a Show and Tell. Challenges for both HAW and CQA are due in June and a draw for each of these will be held. Information on the Pot Luck Dinner will be in the Newsletter.

Committee Reports:

HAW – Mary Lou Morden

Since we have so many new members, Mary Lou gave a brief explanation of what HAW was. Diane Cave is handling registration, which is \$15. It was brought up that some of the instructions for the challenge square were very difficult to decipher – the dimension of the blocks were not clear. Mary Lou will look into this immediately and have the problem corrected. She reminded members that HAW will not be held at our hall, but across the street in the Recreation Centre.

Workshops – Eva Hansen

Eva gave a prevue of next year's workshops. On Oct. 6, Eva will be instructing how to make a chenille Santa; Nov.2 Free Motion Quilting and Nov. 3 Embellishment, both taught by Carola Russell.

Member Announcements – Karen Ross

Karen reminded everyone about the upcoming talk by Gloria Loughman in June and that registration was still available. She mentioned that there will be simple refreshments and if anyone would like to donate cookies to please see her.

Guest Announcement – Fran Henney, Parksville Quilt House Quilters

Fran spoke about their upcoming Quilt Show, on June 22, 23 and 24. They will have 5 raffle quilts and the door prize is a Bernina sewing machine. They will also have a special event on June 24 – two speakers will give a talk, price is \$10. Tickets for both the raffles and the speaker were available from them, as well as further information.

Program – Susan Paynter

Susan, instructor for the upcoming workshop, Bark and Branches, gave a talk on her creative journey and some of the techniques she uses in her projects. She had several items to show and described how they were created, using unusual items such as kelp, salal leaves, copper and rust.

In-house Raffle – 1. Winner – Jan Hill

2. Winner – **Shirley Woodbeck**

3. Winner – **Pat McEwan**

Word Search Raffle – Lois Warner

Show and Tell Draw– Barb Bocking

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:50