RGVQG Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, April 11, 2018

The Board Meeting was called to order by Kathe LeTulle, President, at 1:04 pm.

Treasurer, Karon Jacobson, reported a bank balance of 3,233.60. Karon also informed the group that she has cancer. She is planning an August surgery as well as a second opinion with MD Anderson in Houston. The Clover mobile credit card reader attached to an AT & T phone was purchased to use for RGVQG program fees. With the ability of on-line registration the reader and phone have not been used. It was discussed, moved and seconded to give the card/phone to the RGVQG Quilt Committee for use with registration and sales. Kathe LeTulle moved and Bonnie Hall seconded. The motion passed.

Publicity, Judi Swanda. Judi inquired about the process in producing a flyer to be sent to each park to promote the RGVQG meetings and programs. Judi will be preparing a list of outlets (newspapers) to promote the guild. Diana Wolf has offered assistance with computer related duties.

Newsletter, Diana Wolf. Diana was not present today but is encouraging everyone to get articles in early for the April Newsletter as she will be out of internet range around the normal newsletter time.

Schoolhouse Classes, Karen Dill. Esther Schmidt will be covering the Schoolhouse Class registration during the summer months. A discussion followed on how to incorporate the certificate with payment of schoolhouse class. Pay the class price on line during registration, present the certificate in person at a guild meeting, a credit will then be issued to the member for the difference.

Retreat, Karyn Heany. Karyn was extremely pleased with the 2018 retreats held at the Ranch in New Braunfels. Friendship had 51 attendees. Bluebonnet had 48. This year 15 new retreaters were inducted into the retreat sisterhood. The 2019 retreats are both full at this time. Elaine Hall will be accepting names for the retreat waiting lists at the Saturday meetings. 2019 marks the 20th anniversary of the RGVQG retreats. The Ranch and also the committee for the retreats are planning extra activities to celebrate the 20th anniversary. A disclaimer has been added to the registration to allow only the quilt stores invited by the retreat committee to sell merchandise during the weeks of the retreat.

Membership, Bonnie Hall. 302 members in the guild. Claudette Shaver passed away on March 23, 2018 of a brain aneurysm.

Programs, Judy Brown. The 2018-2019 classes are finalized. Doug Leko will be our speaker in December of 2019 instead of March of 2019. Judy Gauthier will be our speaker March of 2019. Judy encourages us to request the newsletter from Carly Mull (Webfabrics.net) who will be our speaker December 2018. Judy is working on the speakers for the 2019-2020 season. Speakers being considered: Angela Walters, Jamie Wallen, Bonnie Hunter and Karen Combs.

Library, Vicki Guerra. Vicki will be making her end of the season announcement at the meeting on Saturday. Claudette Shaver's family has given the bee quite a few boxes of books. Vicki will select what the library needs and the books left will be used for door prizes and then remainder given away.

Community Service, Rick Redd. Rick provided the March community service figures. The first quarter has exceeded last years first quarter. \$120,683.50. Rick had projected \$200,000.00 for the year but we will be over that by the end of 2018.

Fabric Draw: Subie Redd. Subie is working on a percentage of attendance to determine the number of giveaways each month. The month of April she will have 12 giveaways. Subie's next fabric purchase will be of a better grade of fabric. Currently she has mostly purchased from Connecting Thread, but she will research other vendors.

Military Service Quilts, Renee Darkis. Renee reported one quilt giveaway last week and another one is planned for the 30th. Bonnie Hall said the oldest military pilot lives in their park. He might be a good recipient of a quilt. In May, Renee is planning more bundling of quilts. Quilters are needed longarm the quilts.

Secretary, Joy Paugh. The board minutes have been posted on the website. There were no corrections or changes.

Quilt Show 2019, Deb Warner. THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND. Deb listed a few of the new features of the 2019 Quilt show. The Dolphin Duds are being retired. Monday, Deb will be meeting with the convention staff and checking on the hotels on Padre for housing for the show. Deb is also working with the hotels to see if they would be willing to hang a banner promoting the 2019 quilt show. May 2nd, Deb is having a publicity meeting at GOB Quilts in Harlingen, at 9:30 AM. Deb is wanting all chair people to be in attendance. Marsha Santow, 2020 quilt show chairman, will be shadowing Deb through the quilt show process. Deb is meeting with Laurie, the Padre Island Bee coordinator, to co-ordinate efforts with the Visitor Center on the Island. The 2019 Quilt Show is in need of these chair people: Registration, Volunteers, Demo Alley (similar to center area at Houston Quilt Show), Quilters Walk (raffle of quilts) and Publicity. Deb shared the design for the 2019 Quilt Show Pin. The Guild is still looking for a quilt show chairman for 2021.

New Business – Kathe LeTulle. Kathe shared comments that she has received from various members of the guild. Classes that meet at Renee's, ensure class only – no other activity going on during class. Concern about conflict of board meeting at Renee Darkis' while Renee is on board. Renee is not a voting member. The By-Laws (article 5.08) were read and the boards decision was that there is no conflict of interest on the part of the Guild and Renee Darkis. A comment from show board attendee, asking that all decisions/information made at the quilt show meetings be shared in notes. Kathe LeTulle asked Karon Jacobson for a 6-month comparison of budget to actual for the last 6 months.

With no other business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 3:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Joy Paugh, Secretary.