

**STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OCTOBER 15, 2024**

Attendees: Suzanne Andrews, Barbara Dietz, Janet Wickle, Janette Sheldon, Michele Fix, and Amy Ubben

Minutes from the July Board Meeting were approved.

Michele Fix presented information on the updated By-Laws and the updated Policies and Procedures. Amy Ubben and Janette Sheldon worked with Michele in this revision process.

- * The updated By-Laws created a smaller Board of Directors. Going forward, the following positions will be members of the Board of Directors: President, Vice-President, Past President, Treasurer, Secretary.

- * The Policies and Procedures will be reviewed by the Board every two years and updated at that time.

- * The Policies and Procedures were approved as presented to the Board.

- * A hard copy of the handout provided with detailed information is attached to these minutes in the secretary's notebook.

Barbara Dietz presented Treasurer information.

- * There are quite a few outstanding expenses for this year but it appears that we will have a \$26,000 combined balance in the checking account and CD's at the end of the year. –Because the guild is a non-profit organization, we should be using the funds in our bank accounts for our mission: to promote the art of quilting and educate members and the public about quilting.

- * It was mentioned that we could reduce dues which would help many of our older members or we could structure a tiered dues schedule. Example: Youth (reduced rate), Active Member, Active Member for 15 years or more (reduced rate). No decision was made regarding dues revisions.

- * Barbara is proposing that we create a 2025 budget with a \$5-6,000 deficit. This will help reduce the cash supply that has built up over several years.

- * One CD will mature in January and one in May. The plan is to reinvest that money at the highest possible rate.

- * Amy submitted a verbal request for a budget item (\$500) to be used in celebrating our 45th anniversary. This might be used for a give-away to members (cookies, cake, rulers, etc.)

The start time of meetings was discussed to help resolve the issue of everything feeling rushed.

- * The Board approved a start time of 6:30 pm beginning with the January 2025 meeting. The business meeting will be held from 6:30-7, the program from 7-8, a break, show & tell, & wrap up. It is critical that time be managed according to schedule.

Barbara stated the Guild pays Kansas sales tax for proceeds from the quilt show and she will file the sales tax return.

Meeting location for 2025 will be the same as 2024.

A discussion regarding providing Zoom for the meetings followed. All agreed that it needs to be done correctly and not as we had done it in the past.

* Suzanne is going to contact the Modern Quilt Guild for information on who they hire and see if that person would be interested in doing our meetings. She stated that the Modern Guild hires a JuCo student and pays \$50 per month.

Meeting adjourned.