

NEORQC General Meeting June 1, 2019

The general meeting of the North East Ohio Regional Quilt Council convened at 10:05 a.m. at the Sacred Heart of Mary fellowship hall in Louisville, Ohio. Janis Hittle presiding. Vice President Beth Headings, Treasurer, Barb King, and Secretary, Georgia Darrah were present. The meeting was hosted by the Sew Happy Carnation Quilt Guild.

President Hittle welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending today.

The minutes from the March 2, 2019, general meeting were approved after a motion was made by Kim Rayl, with a second by Cathy Parker. The minutes stand as published.

The Treasurer's report was given and will be filed for audit. Expenses were read and the ending balance in the checking account as of June 1, 2019 is \$5,675.45. The balance as of June 1, 2019 in the savings account is \$8,584.51.

Treasurer Barb King presented the Proposed Budget for 2019-2020. The projected income for next year is \$41,550.00. The projected expenses are \$41,417.37. This leaves a total net income of \$132.63. By a show of hands, the budget was passed as presented.

Vice President Beth Headings called the role. Teacher members were then asked to stand and speak about any upcoming events they will be doing.

President Hittle introduced Mr. Timothy Ross, who is in charge of the art hall at the Stark County Fair. He thanked us for all the quilts and happiness our guilds provide. Mr. Ross explained the "Operation Fostering Freedom" program. This year they will be honoring Vietnam Veterans. They are hoping to get 100 donated quilts to be given to the veterans. Quilters who reside in Stark County can enter their donation quilts in the fair to be judged before they are given to a veteran. Quilters outside of Stark County may donate their quilts. The quilts are to be 40" x 60" (no larger than twin size) and red, white and blue in color. Quilters will be asked to sign a waiver so the quilt can be donated. The quilts can be labeled if you desire.

Cindy Casciato announced that the application to apply for a grant is now available on the website. The deadline to apply is September 1, 2019. The main focus is teaching youth or young adults to sew. You can email Cindy if additional information is needed. When applying for a grant, the name of the coordinator and quilt guild must be included. The check will only made out to a guild. The maximum amount any guild can receive is \$500.

Barb King announced that the 2020 Getaway committee is currently working on planning the events for that weekend. The theme this year is "Quilting Is My Super Power" and will be held February 14-16, 2020. If you are interested in attending, apply early as the registration quickly fills up. Registration begins August 1st, earlier than in the past. The committee received 35 projects with 19 teachers applying this year. Several of the teachers

who were selected shared their projects during the meeting......Laura Nolletti – Convex Illusion, Cathy Parker – Stash Buster String Quilt and Christina Yoo – Custom Backpack Magic of Monoprinting on Fabric. There can be 12-15 participants per class.

The drawing for the Vendors invited to participate in the Getaway took place. The following vendors were chosen.....(1) Angelics, A Quilters Haven (2) Quilters Block (3) Maras (4) Quilted Thimble (5) Carol's Fabric Shop.

President Hittle announced that if you have any questions about our website, you can contact webmaster Sue Straub. If you are having any problems being accepted to the NEORQC Facebook Page, contact our president.

Jean Krusinski, who is in charge of the newsletter, reminded the guild contact people to be sure and have the newsletter sent out to their guild members. Any information for the next newsletter is due to Jean by August 10th. The newsletter always comes out one month prior to a general meeting. Jean has now included an "I Spy" incentive in the newsletter. Two members received a prize for being the "I Spy" winners.

The next NEORQC general meeting will be held on October 5th. The Willoughby Hills Friends Quilt Together Guild will be hosting this event. The theme for this meeting will be "Feel Better, Quilt More".

New shopping cards were available. You need to visit 6 shops and have your card signed to participate in the drawing. If you need a card you can also print one from our website. Shop Hop Winners this time were Jane Gishnook, Nancy English, Georgia Darrah, Linda Schultz and Pam England. Members do have to be present to win.

One member announced that she has access to approximately 100 quilt tops that are 100% sewn by hand. The quilter making these tops is no longer quilting due to health issues. Ideas of what to do with these tops would be greatly appreciated.

A wonderful program was presented by Molly Todd.

Those members participating in the panel challenge displayed their finished items and prizes were given.

Show and Tell, along with the drawing for those participating in Show and Tell, followed.

The meeting was adjourned and lunch was served.

Respectfully submitted by Georgia Darrah / Secretary