

WEAVER'S GUILD OF BOSTON BOARD MEETING 6/12/13
Location, Beth Guertin's Home, Waltham, MA

The meeting was called to order by Dean Ro Spinelli at 10:30 am.

In attendance :Kathy Eklund, Diane Chaisson, Beth Guertin, Elizabeth Springett, Nancy Hodes, Nancy Kronenberg, Sue Knowles, Hetty Friedman, Susan Targove, Ginny Longley, Nancy Barry, Judith Shangold, Linda Green, Joan Rauch, Carol McClennen, Ro Spinelli, Eileen Goldman.
Ro Spinelli welcomed all new board members.

Judith Shangold, Annual show and sale chair, announced the name of the show exhibit as "Class Act" and request items for the exhibit to be inspired by / learned from a workshop, class, NEWS or something thru WGB. All information will be in the bulletin, due out this week and the summer bulletin due out in August. All dates will be updated on website.

Press release copies for the Sale will be available for distribution by members to their local newspapers. Show details and information will be ready for website. Sue Knowles has been working with Judith on publicity for the Annual Sale. There will be a classified in Handwoven in the issue before the Sale.

The Sale Chair is considering greeter at door to ask where they heard about show. Sue Knowles reported that there was a Request for an Ad in Weston / Wayland Town Crier and whofish.com. Advertising budget for show board approved for \$300.

Beth Guertin, Treasurer, said all checks out must be cashed by the 30th of June, as well as any receipts should be turned in by then, in order to get reimbursed for this past fiscal year.

WGB is closing out the Bank of America accounts as of July 1st, 2013. All WGB accounts will have been moved to TDBank by then. Any outstanding reimbursement checks, written on the Bank of America account, that have not been cashed, by that date, will be considered void, and a donation to the Guild.

The guild's fiscal year ends June 30, begins July 1st. Monies etc have been changed to new bank account. A WGB Credit card has been issued, to the Treasurer, Beth, Guertin, for guild business.

Carol McClennen made the motion that we accept the proposed amended budget, presented by Beth Guertin at the March meeting. Nancy Hodes seconded the motion. A vote was taken to approve the amended budget (see WGB board meeting 3/22/13). Budget was approved.

Credit card Machine Issue: As was discussed at the March 2013 WGB Board meeting, the need for a new Credit card machine to replace the broken one was needed. Beth Guertin and Susan Targove researched all the options available to our "unique usage situation". We would need a new machine in place sell books and monograms before NEWS begins. Susan and Beth reported their recommendations and decided the best one to go with. PC (\$280) w/ swipe device (\$99) which processes after sales with wifi connection. This will also be used for our Annual Sale transactions.

There was a Discussion of a Long Range Planning Committee- to be formed. Ro will assign 3 people for this year.

Ro reported that Eileen Fitzgerald, education committee, for morning workshops, would like to have discussed her plan for the vouchers that have been used in the past. Because Eileen was not able to be there at the meeting, this topic will be on the September Board meeting Agenda.

Susan Targove reported, as head of the education Committee, that the following programs have been set up for the coming program year. The teachers that are coming include:

Sept. -Margaret Russell

Oct. -Winnie Nelson

Nov. -Nathalie Miebach

Feb. -Maybe yarn sale, and some combination of hands on Tips & Tricks with weaving tools details to come

Mar. -Sue Butler

April -Laverne Waddington

May -Sally Eyring -Speaker

Also slated for the MAY Annual meeting, the traditional Fashion show, potluck Luncheon, and guild challenge-placemat to coordinate with a mug, was discussed. A discussion about a larger yarn sale in May, as we have had before, possibly being moved to February slot. This is up to the program coordinators. Susan asked for thoughts about that.

Yarn donation from Martha Pappas needs to be picked up. Nancy Hodes said she could but may need help. Yarn to be put on yarn sale table in September. The yarn will be in our Storage unit until September.

Anniversary Book Sales: Joan Rauch reported A total of 62 orders used the on line "Book Order Form" out of 100 mail requests. Joan also reported Retail sales through 6/10/2013, were 174 books sold for sales of \$8,641.80, for RETAIL sales.

Beth Guertin reported wholesale-activity for the books and monographs. 200 books have been sold to (Webs, Halcyon etc.) There will be a WGB booth at vendor's section of NEWS to sell the book and monographs. Beth Guertin is in charge of this booth.

Ro Spinelli thanked Sue Knowles and Carmela for working this weekend to meet a very quick deadline. "Weaving Today" internet site had a space left for the June spot to advertise the book, on the (Interweave Press) Handwoven June Site. The cost was \$250. Sue Knowles reported that there would be ads in Complex Weavers June, Oct. Feb. \$270, and Handwoven for \$350.

Nancy Hodes said we should re-evaluate book sales in August or in the fall and to put it on the agenda.

NEWS: Susan Targove reported that there will be ribbons on the name tags given to WGB members, attending NEWS, who are contributors to the book which say "ask for my autograph". Hopefully this will stir interest in the book as the members are at NEWS.

At NEWS, There will be gift baskets for teachers with items contributed by some guilds, Susan reported that Boston's contribution was small magnets that say "Boston Strong". Her donation in purchasing these went to the One Fund.

Some shifts at the vendor table need to be filled to relieve Beth who will be there the whole time.

Gallery show Intake (WGB's major job for NEWS) day is Wednesday at NEWS. Several people have signed up to help Ro and Linda throughout the day. The intake starts at 8am.

WGB is sponsoring two NEWS awards- 1) The Deborah Cary Memorial Award and 2) The Aija Kusins Memorial Award. One is for the Fashion Show and one for the Gallery Show.

Hetty Friedman told us about Sandy Kirkpatrick's declining state of health, emails or cards would be appreciated by Sandy. Hetty also requested donations of woven/fiber cards to use for get well, sympathy and other correspondence.

Nancy Kronenberg reported that her two apprentices are learning the website. It is up to date and the new info is 70% ready. Jane Moore will be taking over as Website Chair. Also, WGB is looking for a new liaison with Plymouth Plantation. Anyone interested can contact Ro

Kathy Eklund - Yearbook- Just the annual info will be printed up this year. Ads in yearbook/rates for pages- no change in rate. Some existing wording of awards is no longer relevant, so a discussion will need to be held.

Dates for upcoming Board meetings 2013/2014 are:

Sept. 11 At the regularly scheduled meeting, at the church, after the afternoon lecture, 2:30pm

Nov. 13 @ 8:30am before classes/workshops, at the Church.

March 5, 2014 @ 10am at Beth Guertin's home

June 11, 2014 @ 10am at Beth Guertin's home

Meeting adjourned at 1:45pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mara Taylor, Recording Secretary