

WGB Board 9 Dec 2015

at Beth Guertin's house, 10:30 AM - 12:04 PM

Attending: Susan Targove, Diane Chaisson, Beth Guertin, Hetty Friedman, Nancy Hodes, Sue Knowles, Carol McClennen, Jane Moore, Elizabeth Springett, Ginny Longley, Nancy Berry, Barbara Provest, Pamela Burrows, Susan Pippin, Dorothy Solbrig

Education Committee: Diane, Carol

- **The March workshop has been cancelled.** There were not enough people signed up, and it is expensive to bring the speaker from the West Coast. People felt that we do not need to find a replacement workshop unless there is a good leader available.
- ***Diane will look for a replacement afternoon speaker. Some possibilities were suggested.*
- ***Carol will look for two new morning workshops, one to replace the speaker and another because there is room for two. People signed up now will get first choice.*
- ***Jane will post a notice on the website.*

Upcoming meetings

The February meeting will feature two videos by Tom Kniseley. Coffee and door prizes are arranged.

Outreach: Susan

WGB is a sponsor for an exhibit of Mary Merrill tapestries at the Fuller Craft Museum. We will pay for a shipment from a private collection. The Museum would like volunteers to demonstrate weaving to the public and to help children with small tapestry looms on 20 March 10 AM-1 PM.

100th anniversary: Susan

- **ATHM will be closed to the public during 2016** in order to revamp and reconsider strategy. They have been losing money for some years. They will be open for school groups and educational programs, and open by appt to members.
- We want to have an exhibit for our 100th. We don't need to decide until 2017. Hetty and Nancy have been exploring alternatives. ICA says it would not be compatible with their mission.
- Calendar. We should have a calendar for the steering committee, etc., for having steps in place.
- Susan presented a proposal (attached) for the 100th Anniversary Steering Committee, giving mission, authorization, structure, and a preliminary list of personnel. Once accepted, it will be binding on future boards. The Steering Committee will make quarterly reports to the Board.
- ***The proposal should be published in the Bulletin, asking for feedback and volunteers. (Steering Committee meetings always take place over lunch.)*
- It was proposed to send a questionnaire out to members, similar to the one Susan sent out 2 years before she became Dean, asking members in which area each would like to work.
- Motion, passed unanimously:
Create a 100th Anniversary Steering Committee based on the submitted proposal.
- Work on the monograph needs to begin now. Judith Shangold has rephotographed the placemats from last year's challenge.

Membership: Susan

- New member kits now include a discount coupon for publications, as well as a tote bag and a copy of the Bulletin.
- We now have about 238 members, compared to 183 in August.
- New members, joining that day, can get the discount for early registration for a workshop fee. This does not include members renewing.

Nominating: Pam Burrows

- Associate Dean: Carol McClennen
- Corresponding Sec.: Hetty will continue
- Sale: Elizabeth Springett
- Morning workshops: open
- Special workshops: a volunteer in mind. The question came up about the need for a person for special workshops, since the Associate Dean arranges for the teacher. The person does the logistical backup, arranging signups, etc. It is a Board position in the bylaws. The job relieves the Associate Dean of some responsibility, and is a way for members to do a smaller job.

Treasurer. Beth Guertin

- Beth moved \$5000 from checking to savings for more interest. TD Bank suggested opening a second, interest-bearing checking account, but Beth felt that it was more work than it was worth. The Board strongly supported not giving the Treasurer more work.
- Beth needs budget figures by mid-February to make a budget for the March meeting.

Annual sale informal report. Ginny Longley & Nancy Berry

There were 48 volunteers, not counting cashiers. The new policy of early drop-off helped; things went smoothly in spite of a traffic tie-up on Thursday. The new display equipment is good. We did not lose anything this year. Beth & Nancy put up lots of posters in Wellesley etc. The challenge as a source for the exhibit worked well.

Challenge placemats. What should happen to them? A condition of the challenge was that one would come to the guild. They have now been photographed for the monograph. We will hang onto them in case they are needed.

NEXT MEETING

March 23, 2106 at Beth Guertin's house

Submitted by Dorothy Solbrig