

WGB Board 3/25/15
Beth Guertin's house
12 Attendees

Dean Susan Targove called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

Ginny Longley presented the slate for May elections. All members need to be informed at least 2 weeks before voting at the May meeting.

Nominees for 2015 Weavers' Guild of Boston Board :

OFFICERS

RECORDING SECRETARY-Dorothy Solbrig

TREASURER-Beth Guertin

STANDING COMMITTEES

ANNUAL EXHIBIT & SALE-Mary Mandarino/Fran Osten

Assistant Chair-Ginny Longley

Treasurer-Beth Guertin

EDUCATION-Carol McClennen

Assistant to Morning Workshops-Ute Taylor (appointed for 1st 1 yr position, after that 2 yrs by election)

EDUCATION GRANTS-Dorothy Solbrig

Chair-Nancy Hodes

2nd Asst. Chair-Melinda Comeau

LIBRARIAN-Joanne Germaine

Library Assistant- Linda Snook, appointed

Membership- TBA...Need someone comfortable with Microsoft database computer. For new members needs to create name tag, add to yearbook, collect dues, get on email list etc.

NOMINATING

Chair-Pamela Burrows

Asst. Chair-Mary Mandarino

2nd Asst. Chair-Susan Pippin

OUTREACH-Barbara Provost

PUBLIC RELATIONS-Sue Knowles

YEARBOOK-TBA

Annual Show and Sale

Mary Mandarino, Chair, said the sale will be held Nov.5-8,2015. We will have expanded hours on Wednesday, Nov. 4, for dropping off display racks and merchandise. This gives us extra time for set up.

The waiver form will be added to the top of the inventory sheet as many people miss that page. We would like to try moving towards the guild buying all the racks/ fixtures for the sale vs people bringing their own (and then feeling ownership of that rack to only display their items.) This also will create some uniformity. New tablecloths and skirts were also mentioned for a cleaner, unified look.

A woven coat from a master weaver was donated to the guild. What should we do with it? Raffle? Need to check with State laws about accepting money for a raffle.

Theme for show- The recipe exchange

Interest in a new inventory control system.

Posters and sale info need to be passed out at September meeting and placed in stores which are part of the annual Yarn Crawl throughout the Boston area and suburbs. This is held very soon after the guild meeting so they must go out quickly.

Sue Knowles will be in charge of publicity.

Education

Carol McClennen, Morning Workshops, said that most classes were filled this year. A couple of spots are available in April. Next year, there are three classes her month that are already confirmed. Teachers will be paid a standardized rate. There will not be anymore milage reimbursement for teachers.

Dianne Chaisson, Afternoon speakers & Special workshops, for Nov 2016 -tencel dye 2-day workshop. March 2017 Connie Lippert/Tapestry

Communication

Request for board meeting minutes to be posted onto Yahoo members group, so that all members can view the minutes.

Use Survey Monkey to take surveys.

Change our computer/ website system. Use new technology to make it easier. Try for online payments.

Try to get a younger audience posting on FaceBook, twitter, social networking.

Long Range Planning

ATHM -Nancy Hodes and Beth Gertin met with ATHM Todd Smith, Diane Afflect, and Maura Ryan to discuss a special exhibit for WGB 100 anniversary. Everyone was very positive about having a show. We would need to commit 2 years in advance of the 100 anniversary. A show costs about \$40,000. The guild and museum would need to get sponsors, and donations to come up with this money. An other idea was to use some of the money from the stocks which the guild has, or perhaps transfer the guild's stocks to the museum. A motion by Hetty Freedman " To persue the opportunity of an exhibit at ATHM" , and seconded by Ginny Longley. All were in Favor. At the same time as the show there would be demonstrations, workshops, speakers, etc. and pre exhibit introduction.

Have Birthday Party!

Monograph-100 items- household items such as towels, placemats, simple with directions and draft.

Other area galleries, art centers could have exhibits of members work etc. at the same time.

Budget- Beth passed out next year's budget, but said it changes. Certain costs are fixed-rent at church, storage, website, insurance. Estimates are based on the previous year.

Library- Linda Snook bought a new bookcase for the library, may buy another one.

Membership-requesting members to renew in April/May so that the yearbook is up to date with members information.

NEWS -Eileen Fitzgerald requested that our guild offers a memorial award in honor of the 4 members who passes this year, named "Joyful Celebration". The amount would be \$100 and awarded at NEWS.

Diane Chaisson and Beth Guertin will be in charge of displaying the items (recipe challenge) at our Guild Table at NEWS.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:40

Respectfully submitted,

Mara Taylor

Recording Secretary

