

Gateway Chapter Member Meeting Notes

Thursday, January 17, 2019

President was absent from the morning meeting, Mickey Knutson assumed President duties in the absence of Janice Marsh:

The meeting was called to order 10:05 A.M. with 17 members in attendance.

Review of minutes (Secretary-Mickey Knutson):

1. There were no corrections to the minutes from last meeting and the minutes stand approved as posted.
2. Shared the letter received by Janice Marsh from Robin Hirsch-Steinhoff, Artistic Director, Art Saint Louis and Interim Coordinator, Innovations in textiles 2019 which is an event taking place in STL, in October, with an opportunity for our Guild to be represented. More details will be forthcoming and this should be discussed in Board Meeting, when we receive further details and information.

Officer Reports:

President (Janice Marsh/ Mickey Knutson): The meetings included ONLY significant reports from officers, committee chairmen, or special committee chairmen.

Reports from officers (**SHORT 3 to 5-minute reports**)

- a) **Treasurer** (Kathy Scioneaux): Currently have \$10,692.00 which includes the money collected for the October stitch-away. These expenses will be approximately \$2,000.00.
- b) **Membership** (Nancy Feldman): We have 67 members. Sending emails and/or letters each month to remind members when time to pay yearly dues. Chapter dues are paid directly to Gateway Chapter and National dues are paid through the National web site.
- c) **Fundraising** (Stephanie Hornsby, Kathryn Nagy): Dime drop was passed. Kathryn had the preordered binders and pencil cases for members, for the Hooray RWB project.
- d) **Public Relations** (Donna Beaman): February Library display at Sachs Library, need Spring items. Donna also shared a little more information regarding the Innovations in Textiles event for the fall. There is a \$150.00 participation fee which the Board needs to decide if we will participate.
- e) **Programs** (Julie Cook): Julie reminded us that we would be finishing our name badges today and starting the "Hooray for the Red, White and Blue" sampler.

1. Reports from committee chairman

- a. **Philanthropy** (Vicki Sauter): Vicki brought bags for members to assemble birthday bag donations for *Circle of Concern*. All donations were placed on table for Vicki to deliver.
- b. **Social** (Ellen Ippolito): No news to report.
- c. **Workshops** (Stephanie Hornsby): Registration was opened and started for the June workshop with Jennifer Riefenberg, Pumpkin Patch. Cost is \$125.00 due upon registration and class limit is 25.

2. Reports from special committee chairman

- a. **Stitch-Away** (Kathy Scioneaux): Final date (January 17th) for retreat on October 13-15, 2019. There are a few spots open if anyone still interested in signing up for this fun event.
- b. **Self-Nominations**: (Janice Marsh/Mickey Knutson): Explanation of the nomination form. Enter yourself only. Accepting nominations through February. *Get a friend and share the job and the fun!* Julie Cook shared with the group how much she is enjoying working with her Committee on Programs and encouraged members to volunteer and how easy it is to take on a Board position when responsibilities are shared with others.

Unfinished Business:

1. Gateway Chapter ANG and local EGA chapter joint event. Kathy Scioneaux proposed doing a Saturday luncheon and stitch-in at a location selected in a Church located at Clayton and 141 and the rental cost is only \$75.00 for the day. Currently all Saturdays in April and May are available.
2. Innovations in Textiles 2019
3. Show Me Stitchers (EGA Seminar), fall 2019 in Saint Louis. We need to finish up details for our table at the Merchandise Night where we will sell the binders, wine glasses and other items we have with the St. Louis arch logo. This is driven by our Fundraising and will transition to the new team in May.

New Business:

1. No other new business.

Adjourn the meeting:

Any member is eligible to move to adjourn the meeting (requires a second and a majority vote) or President can call for further business and can adjourn the meeting.

Morning meeting adjourned at 10:27 A.M.

If any motions require a member vote during our meeting, the following chapter bylaw will be applied. <i>ARTICLE VII -- Meetings:</i> <i>Section 4. Fifteen percent (15%) of the members in good standing shall constitute a quorum.</i>
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MEMBER CHAT – (President: Janice Marsh / Mickey Knutson): Kathryn Nagy brought to our attention the Hearts for Hospice featured in the latest copy of Needlepoint Now and it was suggested perhaps this is something our Chapter might want to consider for a Program. This could be a Philanthropy project as well.

SHOW & TELL – (Programs: Julie Cook): A “round-robin” review of current and finished projects shared by the members. Pictures will be sent to the newsletter and website officers for sharing. **A special table was set aside for members to place their finished work for display as a preferred way to share rather than passing the work and having it handled. It was decided and agreed that this is preferred to passing the work.**

Notes from other Officer Reports:

Our meeting goal is to focus more on our members and less on officer reports. In order to keep our members informed, important details are shared through written reports on this agenda or, when necessary, by a member email blast. *Below are our officer reports that were not presented at this meeting.*

Additional Officer Reports:

None at this time.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter (Leigh Hullverson): Leigh would like photos of our completed work to post on our Facebook page, please include name of Designer. Also, as members complete each portion of our current project, she would like photos of this work also to share updates on our progress.

Webmaster (Janice Marsh): No report.

Special Committee Reports

1. **Preserve History** (Linda Lesh and Julie Cook): no report on committee progress.

Future events:

1. **Sign-up for Stitch-Away: Deadline** is Thursday, January 17 for the Stitch-Away Retreat at Cedar Creek in New Haven, MO on October 13-15, 2019. Contact Kathy Scioneaux if you have any questions.
2. **Sunday Stitch-in:** Sign of the Arrow – date to be determined later
3. **Spring Luncheon:** Jan Davenport reported that Barb Smith has kindly offered her home for this event on June 1, 2019.
4. **EGA Joint Meeting:** See Old Business above.
5. **Pumpkin Patch Workshop:** June 8-9, 2019, see Workshops above.