

## Weavers Guild of Kalamazoo Board Meeting

October 3, 2016

**Purpose of the Meeting-** to continue to organize and plan the educational goals for the membership of WGK

**Meeting called to order** by President Karen VanderWeele at 10:12

**Members Present:** Terri Smith, Letty Klein, Margie Glenn, Karen Coté, Karen VanderWeele, Paula Clare

**Presidents Report:** Karen V. didn't have any report. She asked that I send guidelines and procedures document Margie, Paula, & Karen C. (Note: has been emailed to these 3 board members by secretary Terri Smith.)

**Vice-Presidents Report:** Margie stated that workshop is still on schedule for 10/8, have 6 signed up as of now. Instructor will have her book to sell at the workshop & general meeting. -Have received workshop/instructor ideas from 3 study groups so far - multi-harness, swatch & spinning. Study groups have until October 10<sup>th</sup> to get ideas to VP, Margie Glenn. - Carol Irving in November. Bio on Rebecca for Mondays general mtg

**Action Item:** Should have workshop guidelines/policy on website (on page 15 of procedures/guidelines).

**Secretaries Report:** Terri submitted minutes from 8/29 board meeting & 9/12 general meeting as report. Karen C. & Karen V. had corrections for the minutes for both the 8/29 board meeting 9/12 general meeting. Motion made & seconded to approve both sets of minutes with corrections Motion was **approved**. Secretary stated will get corrections in the minutes, sign them and put in secretary's book. -Asked about who is on the Exemption Committee? This is Nancy Clark, Nancy Aldridge, & Karen Kendall

**Treasurers Report:** Karen C. provided treasurer's report. There was a discussion on how to break out instructors'/speakers' expenses & fees. Speaking fee & travel expenses are a program expense. Instructor's fee is a workshop expense. -Balance after June 1 - September 30, 2016 period is \$2,886.98 -Karen submitted bill from Jill Strobel to renew website for \$149. Motion made & seconded to pay bill to renew website. Motion was **approved**. -Motion made & seconded to approve treasurer's report. Motion was **approved**.

## **Committee Reports**

**Mentorship:** Terri said there is a need for someone to mentor in weaving but also about specific looms. Group recommended putting out a request at the general meeting.

**Education:** Written report/email provided by Gail Ross. Seconded Kristi's idea of backup presentations by members (i.e., pin loom weaving, guild history slide show, etc.). -For 50 year anniversary have a luncheon like guild did for the 40-year celebration. -**Action item:** mention this at general meeting and in The Shuttle to get volunteers to have these types of things ready.

**MLH:** Letty provided written report. Stated that MLH is requesting awards for 2017 show. She submitted MLH form and check voucher form. -She also mentioned that MLH is looking for "goodies" to go in MLH Goodie Bag (i.e., roving, scarves, etc.) -**Action Item:** Mention this MLH desire for these donated items at the general meeting.

**Shuttle:** Paula listed direction about posting on FB on the back page of The Shuttle. Still need to get FB set so members can post.

**Service Bureau:** On behalf of Melissa, Karen V. made the request that the Ashford Knitters Loom donated by Ellen's family to the Rental Equipment be dedicated as a Service Bureau loom. Motion made & seconded that Knitters Loom be dedicated loom for the Service Bureau. Motion was **approved**. -Letty requested on behalf of Michigan Sheep Producers that WGK again do a Kid's Make & Take at their symposium in January. Letty will get Melissa's contact information to the MI Sheep Producers so this demonstration can be set up. (Karen C. had an idea for this - making straw loom bracelets.) -Reminder that the demonstration at the Alamo Farmers' Market is coming up October 8th

## **New Business**

**Nominating committee:** Karen V. said she wanted to get a headstart on getting this committee formed and working on nominees for next year's slate of candidates. She asked that everyone on the board be on the nominating committee and to be on the lookout for folks to run for the different offices and committees. -There was a discussion about a possible change to the by-laws for having longer terms (2 years) for elected officers. Also to change it so that terms are up staggered years so not all the board members are changed at once. -Karen V. will let folks know at the next month's general meeting that the guild board will be the Nominating Committee this year.

## Old Business

- Jill Strobel would like to take the calendar off the web page and replace it with a slide show of member's work. No names given. - Ask her to have both on website. - (Note: E-mail correspondence from Karen V. Jill said calendar has been off-line since last spring. So for now we will leave calendar off website and see if it is missed.)

- Cory and Lestra would like to order some more note cards. They would like to get a warm color and a neutral. Oval and rectangle openings would be ordered. The last time there were 1100 ordered in 2009. This would cost \$447.52. The cards would be sold at cost. At the present time the cards are kept with the library. -The discussion took place should we order more right now and if we order right now where does the money come from as this was not budgeted for in the current budget. -The decision was to wait to order until next year and put this in the budget for next year.

-Where are we going to keep the archives? Stay where they are for now. (Marta's basement?)

- Ideas for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration in May 2019 - Have a luncheon or dinner, fashion show, something at genreal meeting (ballons?)? Ask for progress report from anniversary committee.

- Kristi has informed Karen V. that the library has videos that we can use if a speakers can not make it. Talked about this earlier and possibility of having members available with programs to fill in too. (See earlier discussion under Education report.)

**Next Meeting, November 7, at the Ransom District Library Birchfield Room at 10:00 a.m.**

Motion to adjourn made & seconded. Motion carried.

Adjourned 12:05