lCentral Coast Weavers

**Board Meeting**

October 22, 2019

Jannie’s House

Attendance: Diane Ayres, Kathy Briles, Else Drengler, Roberta Foster, D’Elin Lohr, Marie Christine Mahe, Joan Schlichting, Yvonne Smith, Jannie Taylor, Kay Thorne, Rosemary Thorne, Karen Wiley.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 by President D’Elin Lohr.

**Treasurer’s report** – Treasurer Karen reported that the checking balance is $9,024.82 and the savings balance is $8843.33. The September/October income was $2,987.81 and expenditures for the period were $4,947.92. This includes insurance through CNCH. Following discussion, it was agreed that we should get a certificate of insurance for the Sale; Kay will email Erin about it.

**CHAIR REPORT**

**Programs**

* **Thursday programs**
* Yvonne reported on plans for Thursday meetings: In November, Michele Belson of Lunatic Fringe will be talking about the formation and growth of her company, which is now selling American grown cotton as well as other fibers. In January, Yvonne will talk about her tour of Pendleton Mills, Oregon. Gail Mueller will talk about her experience in designing and getting a tartan registered in February. The church is not available in March, so Yvonne will investigate a fieldtrip, possibly to Horsefeather Ranch in Arroyo Grande. If that doesn’t work out, the meeting can be held at the barn. In April, Cameron Taylor-Brown or Anni Albers might be able to do a program. In May, Sally Knight will talk about weaving with beads.
* **Saturday programs**
* Kathy reported that this Saturday, the meeting will be making batts at Nancy’s house. Those that make the batts can make a felted vase at the Retreat. There will not be a November meeting, the activities at the Retreat substituting for the meeting. The annual tea/luncheon will be in January. Kathy is looking for new place for luncheon, maybe Indigo Mood or Linn’s. In February, March and April, the meetings will be of the new type, focused on learning a skill or learning more about weaving. A make-up indigo dye workshop will be one of them.

Kathy and Yvonne will both end their terms this year and do not plan to continue for an additional term.

**Workshops**

Diane reported that she has talked to JoAnne Hall. It sounded like she wanted to do 3-day and/or 5-day workshops. This is a possibility for May 2020 and is just at the talking stage. She announced that she is interested in retiring from the workshop coordinator position. She reported that Karen Precht signed up for the crackle workshop at last minute then couldn’t come because of parents’ failing health and medical problem. **It was moved, seconded and passed to refund her money.**

**Draft**

Jannie asked people to get anything to her immediately for the next Draft.

**Web site**

Marie Christine informed the Board that she will be stepping down as web master. She is willing to help a fairly knowledgeable person get going. The time commitment is about 10 hours every two months. Karen McCleary’s name was mentioned as a possible qualified person. Jannie and D’Elin will talk to her about it.

**CNCH conference**

Kay reported on the 2020 conference in April. Registration starts November 1 at 9 a.m. online only. Conference booklets are available and all the information is on the website. The theme is Find Your Artist Within and there are many interesting and varied sessions. The very nice conference hotel is located along 101 south of SFO.

The 2021 conference, of which our guild will play the major role, will be at Cal Poly. The dates have not been decided, but the conference will be either the last weekend in June or the second weekend in July. “Learn by Doing”, which is Cal Poly’s motto, has been proposed as the conference theme. As this is a workshop conference, we need to have fifteen great workshops. Our guild should be in charge of workshops. A committee will be formed to work on it. For local conferees, there will be a lot of flexibility in whether they want to stay on campus, stay at home and eat on campus or just eat an occasional meal on campus. Parking for the conference will be $40.

**Hospitality**

Else will have a sign-up sheet for spring meetings at the November meeting.

**Membership**

Camille reported that we presently have 144 members, with $3,870 taken in as dues. She has prepared a printed roster and will make them available to all members. She said that 30% of members paid with PayPal.

**Retreat**

Roberta reported that 21 people will be attending the retreat. The camperships will go to Jan Finfrock, Lynne Parscal, Irene Rush and Carol Snow. [Note: Jan Finfrock and Carol Snow found at the last minute that they were unable to attend, so those two camperships were awarded to Karen McCleary and Nancy Shannon.] She noted that in 2015, 44 people came to the retreat. This is our 20th year.

**Library**

Kay reported that we are being inundated with multiple copies of some journals, such as *Shuttle, Spindle and Dyepo*t and *SpinOff.* The consensus was that a couple copies should be saved and the rest recycled. A suggestion for the February Saturday meeting was for attendees to look at old issues and rip out articles they want. Books that no one wants from the raffle and pass-it-forward can go to Good Will.

**NEW and CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**Ena Marston Award**

Although the award and the position paper were discussed at Board when it was first proposed, it was never voted on to make it an official Guild program. The text of the document was sent to all Board members prior to the meeting. After brief discussion, it was approved unanimously. The document can now be placed among other Guild policies. At the December meeting, the four recipients of the award (Cindy Gaulin, 2016; Jannie Taylor, 2017; Kay Thorne, 2018; and Camille Nelson, 2019) will be honored.

**Conference scholarships/stipends and camperships**

Policy statements for these awards and the criteria and procedures used to award them need to be written up and approved by the Board. After the sale, Rosemary will check past minutes to see what has been written about them. Ruth will be consulted about a committee for the Teach It Forward Award. D’Elin also noted that no Equipment Manager was indicated. As the equipment register is kept in the Guild library, it was agreed that Rosemary would be designated as the equipment manager.

**Saturday meetings**

Brief discussion about Saturday meetings concurred that project-based meetings were good. Do we need a beginning weaver group? They might be interested in forming a special interest group.

**Coffee pot**

Else confirmed that the coffee pot situation is stable at the present time.

**Railroad car curtain project**

Jannie confirmed that the project has been planned, but is on hold until after the Sale.

**Gist Yarn & Fiber**

They have a similar plan to Halcyon, where the Guild gets a kickback from member purchases. Kay moved that we explore this more. It was seconded and passed. All board members should look at their website to prepare for more discussion.

**Measuring tapes**

Kay reported that there is interest in having more available for purchase. She will research quantities and costs and report at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Thorne

Recording Secretary