Delectable Mountain Quilters Guild February 16, 2016 Board Meeting

The DMQG Board Meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by President Terri Meeks. Present were Terri Meeks, Donine Schwartz, Cheryl Spahr, Chris Hensen, Tami Buskirk and Barbara Swissler.

Cheryl moved to approve the January Board Minutes and the January General Meeting Minutes. Tami seconded the motion. In discussion, Barbara pointed out that the last name of one of Round Robin participants was missing from the General Meeting Minutes. Tami said it should be Jean Spring. Cheryl then changed her motion to approve the January Board Minutes and the January General Meeting Minutes as amended. The motion was adopted.

Cheryl Spahr presented the Treasurer's report for January. The ending balance for the General Fund was \$5,487.27. The Christmas Fund's ending balance was \$95.00 after a deduction of a \$20 bank service charge. Cheryl will investigate the cause of this service charge and try to have it waived. If necessary, Cheryl suggested that the Christmas Fund could be rolled into the General Fund as a line item. The Raffle Account had an ending balance of \$2,919.48. In response to a question from Donine, Cheryl and Terri emphasized that the Raffle Account funds are to be used for programs and workshops.

Donine Schwatz gave the Vice-President's report. She talked about the 2017 program schedule and the possibility of having Kathy McNeil, a nationally known quilter from Washington State, give a program in March 2017. Kathy has agreed to a reduced fee of \$1,800 with some provisions. Donine was concerned about budget limitations. Cheryl said that \$2,500-\$3,000 is the usual range for programs. A discussion of the program schedule for 2016 followed.

Old Business

Cheryl indicated that the budget for 2016 will be voted on by the membership at the February general meeting.

Donine reported that she had been working hard at getting the new GoDaddy website set up. The monthly charge will be \$6.32 per month under a 3-year agreement. Donine wants to set up people to be able to access the website and make changes if necessary. She proposed making Terri, Tami, Chris and Donine Administrators who will be able to make any changes. She also proposed making Barbara and Cheryl Editors so they can post the Minutes and Treasurer's Report directly. Donine will set these up. She also reminded everyone that items posted need to be in pdf format.

Because of new security measures adopted by the website, members will have to create their own personal passwords to access the secure pages that contain membership directories, reports, minutes, surveys, biographies and newsletters. Terri will inform the membership on how to do this. The website will remain www.dmqg.org.

New Business

Donine has been in contact with the Tread of Pioneers Museum, and the staff is interested in working with the guild in collaborating with programs and publicity, possibly providing financial support for posters and newspaper ads for our depression era quilt show. Tami asked if the museum might be able to do a quilt exhibition in May when the "1930's Hard Times, Great Quilts" show is here. The Board generally agreed that collaborations would be great with other non-profits as well.

Terri announced that National Quilters Day is March 19. She thought that it would be nice to plan something fun for National Quilt Month. Tami suggested a Saturday sewing class using scraps to create Log Cabin blocks. It would be a fast, easy, fun project that everyone could do. Terri thought we could encourage anyone to come. Another idea Tami proposed was a snowshoe day at Steamboat Lake on

March 13 from 1:30-3:30. It would provide members an opportunity to socialize in another setting besides quilting.

Donine asked about charging a cheaper price for her workshop than the one set by the guild in order to encourage young people and others to come. Cheryl suggested that the Board think about how that could be done and re-visit it later.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Swissler, Secretary