Tacoma Modern Quilt Guild

General Meeting Minutes Zoom July 15, 2021

Welcome – LaDauna welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7:00pm. Joyce facilitated an ice breaker. We had 23 people in attendance. We plan to have our September meeting in person.

Meeting Minutes: The May minutes are available on TacMQG website. Julie Arthur made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Kären L. seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the members. There are no minutes for June since Patricia Belyea of Okan Arts was our guest speaker.

Financial Report – Julie Arthur gave the financial report. The current balance is \$8096.75. The 2021 budget has a planned loss to bring Zoom classes and content to members in an affordable manner. The income is close to the budgeted amount. We have some outstanding bills and some unpaid expenses for the zoom content. We currently have 47 paid members.

Board Election Results: Julie Aiken and Kären L. reviewed the results of the online vote through Survey Monkey. All the nominated candidates received 100 percent of the votes. LaDauna Wilson is our president. Karen Stevens is the Vice President of Events. Connie Knootz and Joyce Nelson are the VPs for Education. Julie Arthur is the Treasurer. Dawn Golden and Marti Dyer-Allison are the Secretaries. Julie Aiken made a motion to accept the results of the election and Lois seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the members.

3rd **Quarter Blocks of the Month:** Karen showed us the blocks that members will make for the next three months for community quilts. The links are on the TacMQG website to take you to the instructions. July is Organic Diamonds. The colors are brown, lime, and aqua. August is a big block called Cornered made in coral and navy. September's block is called Discovery to be made in cream, teal and turquoise. All three blocks are on the Modern Quilt Guild's site.

Education Committee: Joyce shared that the September Meeting will include a presentation of a variety of methods to label a quilt. Members were encouraged to bring examples to share. Connie will demonstrate the ladder stitch at the September meeting. The ladder stitch is often used to hand sew compression pillows closed.

Compression Pillows: Another batch of 20 pillows were delivered. Bring your compression pillows to the September meeting. The stuffing will be provided and we can stuff and sew pillows closed during the meeting. There is a PDF on the blog with instructions and sizes.

Upcoming Events: Karen shared that the hand sew August 3rd may be held in a park. We discussed possible locations. We will have a speaker at our August zoom meeting. Sarah Ruiz will talk about her 100 day project "Fabric Postcards".

Two Retreats are planned. The first is at the Riptide in Shelton. Eight people have signed up which is capacity. A waiting list is available. It will be August 6-8, 2021, 2 nights. Participants must be minimum 14 days after vaccination.

The second retreat is at Camp Burton Retreat Center on Vashon Island. There are 8 double rooms and 4 single rooms. We need a minimum of 10 people and can have a maximum of 20 people. It is November 19-21, 2021. Right now we are planning on the costs being: Double Occupancy - \$235 and Single Occupancy - \$300. When Karen hears back from the retreat center she will confirm the prices.

Other Community Quilt Events: Clark County Quilters - Krista Moser Virtual Workshop – August 13 and 14. Clark County Quilters are hosting Quiltfest Northwest, October 21-23. The Bainbridge Quilt Festival, September 11. They have put out a call for quilts. The Evergreen Quilters are having their Biennial Quilt Show, September 17 and 18 in Ferndale.

Swaps and Challenges: Members shared the items that they received in the Sewing Room Swap. Our next challenge will be to make something inspired by a song. Please check the website for all the 2021 swaps and challenges.

Sew and Tell: We enjoyed seeing each other and the awesome things that members made! We have some incredibly talented members! The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.