

SCVQA Board Meeting
August 8, 2022
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Call to Order: President Callista Bevans called the meeting to order about 7:05 PM. Also attending were Mollie Anderson, Sharon Hathaway, Christine Green, Irene Floyd, Robin Scheiderer, Liz Clark, Roberta Pabst, Tina Best, John Palmer, Patty Hair, Sandra Woodard, Randa Mulford and Sarah Beetem. Cynthia Kearney, Marilyn Nickel and Sharon Frieson were member guests.

The minutes from July's Board meeting were corrected to read; "Westhope is now costing \$400 a day." Minutes from the General meeting were corrected to read that "New Quilts of Northern CA" requested entries by August 8th. Both sets of minutes were accepted as corrected.

Announcements: Callista announced that in person meetings would be held in January (day time), April (evening), July (day time), October (evening) of 2023. The first date would have to be at Westhope Church and the following at First Congregational Church. We will need to help with set-up at Westhope. About 80-90 members are expected

New In-Person Sewing Group: Cynthia and Marilyn have been researching the interest in sewing groups/classes/education activities. For one thing, to gain insurance, any group will need to have the sanction of the Guild. They would like to know if the projects in "Quilting 101" were enjoyed or if an "Open Sew" style would be better. Guild bylaws state that all groups must be self-funding. Callista mentioned that all members need to be welcome if an event is sponsored by the Guild. She would like to see some type of educational activity started. The cost of a location is also a consideration; Randa mentioned that the cost of the social hall at Westhope is about \$200 for 4 hours. Randa will check on the prices. Cynthia mentioned the need for a new name for the group. Randa suggested keeping the capacity of the room in mind and to be sure that the group is open to all. The former Quilting 101 was too often not open as members signed up at one meeting for the next one. Callista will help Cynthia with the details. Cynthia asked if week days or weekends were better and Callista said opinion on this was usually divided.

More volunteers will be needed to sponsor any new activity; a team of volunteers would be best. Marilyn has contacted Campbell Community Center which was not useful. A drop-in policy may not be enough to meet the rent. Treasurer Mollie said that a smaller group can use the SCVQA insurance rate. This would not be a bookkeeping problem for the treasurer.

Cynthia would like to have a survey or email survey on whether weekdays or weekends are better. Irene suggested having participants prepay like for an event. Cynthia suggested they might expect about 30 participants. Callista suggested not a survey but to ask for replies to an email. Callista will bring all of this back to the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Mollie presented a slightly revised budget. The cost of in person meetings will be slightly lower (about \$2000) as one meeting is in the next fiscal year (2023-24).

The deficit for 2022-23 will be about \$15,000 to \$16,000.

Sharon Hathaway made a motion to accept the budget as presented for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. The motion was passed unanimously. Mollie will write up the results for the newsletter.

Correspondence: Callista announced a robust response to the survey that 90 would attend in person daytime and 80 in person for evening. Some said yes, but with considerations, such as mask wearing. Some teachers also require mask wearing.

First VP: Randa has a contract for First Congregational and will talk to Westhope. The \$850 fee for First Congregational would include set up.

Programs: Sandra asked if dates have been settled for 2023. Callista affirmed that the in person dates and zoom dates are all okay. Sandra said that classes would depend on the various teachers' choice. Patty noted that they would like to concentrate on relatively local teachers. Callista noted that the Programs team need to have flexibility to set up the year.

Philanthropy: Christine reported that four members had met with Women's Shelter/ Next Door Solutions. We will need to move the long arm quilting machine as the room is needed. Next Door is still short on space. Caroline and Jaunell will help sort storage but for now most supplies will remain in storage.

In the new budget, Women's Shelter will have \$2500. (Pat from Next Door Solutions requested some younger volunteers for setting up workshops.)

Community Quilts: Robin reported that she is getting more drop in members on workdays. She found some canvas quilt bags which Roberta said were from the past and that Robin was welcome to use them.

Membership: Sharon will have membership badges ready to pass out in January as mailing them would be very expensive.

Storage: Roberta has been helping clean out the storage units and said that too much was left from the Marin Retreats and it needed cleaning out. Christine agreed to help consolidate those supplies.

Ways and Means/Boutique: Tina reported that a Pop-Up Boutique will be held Sunday, October 9th; place and time to be announced.

President Callista adjourned the meeting at 8:08 PM

Submitted by Sarah Beetem, Recording Secretary (with thanks to Callista for the first paragraph.)

Approved: