

**Friendship Knot Quilters' Guild**  
**Executive Board Meeting**  
**September 10, 2015**

President Karen Clark called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M. Present were: Karen Clark (President), Elva Farrell (First Vice President), Cass Bowen (Past President), Joy Abbott (Treasurer), Marcia Slocum (Secretary), Barbara Jeffries Class Registrar, and Linda Swanson (Membership). Second Vice-President, Mary Nissen was unable to attend.

Karen discussed options regarding the disposition of the vintage pink Monarch sewing machine that was donated to the guild. It was decided that the best option that would meet the objective of the donors is to have Barbara Jeffries and her husband choose a deserving young girl or boy to give it to who has shown a desire to learn to sew but has no machine. Barbara's husband has a hobby of restoring old sewing machines and will be able to get it in good working order for this purpose.

Discussion regarding filling the board members positions that will have potential vacancies: Karen has not heard from anyone showing interest.

The minutes of the August Board meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's August report was approved. Joy is working on the budget for next year. She needs monetary requests from the committee chairs.

The NQA (National Quilters' Association) who we purchase insurance through for the individual quilts at the quilt show has announced that they are disbanding, but will let us know if another organization will be taking over the role that they played. Cass will rewrite the recently approved Bylaws to reflect this change.

1st Vice President, Elva, has communicated with Jerry Stube regarding an October 2016 lecture plus a class teaching the Labyrinth Quilt she designed. It was agreed this is a good idea.

Linda reported there are 342 members. We think this is the largest membership the guild has ever had.

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**Class Registrar:** Barbara Jeffries would like her helpers to be at the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting by 6:00 p.m. Members will be allowed to begin registering for the 2016 classes at 6:15 and then will stop at 7:00 when the business meeting begins and then will resume taking class registrations after the business meeting.

**Newsletter:** We have purchased new newsletter software.

**New Members:** Lynn Purple would like to have someone take this position over. Janet is handling reservations for Der Dutchman.

**Quilt Show:** Elva Farrell and Pat Sefton. The 2017 Quilt Show budget was approved.

**Old Business:**

The Bylaws were approved by the membership at the August meeting, however, they already need to be revised due the the NQA dissolving.

The officers and committee chair position job descriptions are on the web.

**New Business:**

**NQA Insurance**—this is on hold for now until we see what the NQA offers in light of their recent announcement of dissolution.

**Grant Proposal:** Elva has been working on a grant proposal with the NQA for the purpose of getting kids involved with quilting. She is requesting \$1000.00 and the board feels we may wish to go forward with this regardless if the grant is approved or not.

**Manasota Lighthouse for the Blind:** Discussion regarding a possible relationship with them. No decision made.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Slocum, Secretary

