

**Friendship Knot Quilters Guild, Inc.**

**November 20, 2017**

President Delores Simpson called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. at the Sarasota Community Church. She thanked the Applique Chicks for acting as hostesses tonight.

The October 16, 2017 Guild Meeting Minutes were approved as presented.

The **Treasurer's 2018 Proposed Budget** prepared by Joy Abbott was approved and will be filed for audit.

The **Tip of the Day** was to use batting samples as the basis for Fidget Quilts, the service project for this year.

**Membership** Chair Katie Metheny reported that 104 members and 9 guests were in attendance tonight. Ten new members joined the Guild. There have been many membership renewals and current membership is 317. There will be no check in at the Holiday Party, but members may turn in renewal forms that evening. She gave a door prize to a member wearing a name tag.

**First Vice President** Jann Warfield stated that the Inspire Sarasota festival was successful for the Guild, with many attendees stopping by the Guild's display. The Education Survey is being used to schedule 2019 teachers. Lyric Kinard's classes went well.

**Second Vice President and Librarian** Ellen Simon will review Round Robin guidelines in January and perhaps offer the challenge again for Guild members unable to participate in the summer. There will be a Fabric History program in July. She introduced many new library books.

Jane Sanks reminded the Guild that the deadline for the next **Newsletter** is November 25.

Delores will be writing "In the Beginning," a new column in the newsletter. She is interviewing Guild members asking them how they got started in quilting and what advice they would recommend to new quilters.

**Friendship** Chair Bev Wiberg should be notified if a member should receive a card.

New **Cottage Group** Chair Denise Collado is updating Cottage Group information. She reports that there are presently twelve cottage groups and Denise suggested that members try to form their own groups to suit their interests.

**KidzQuilts** information will be in the next newsletter.

**Website** Chairs Linda Pearce and Marjorie Holloway are trying to keep up.

Delores reminded members not to wear perfume or cologne to *Guild meetings or workshops*.

Delores asked members to note the dates of our next **Quilt Show**: Quilt drop off is February 23, 2019; Judging is March 1 and 2, 2019; Set up is March 7, 2019, and the Quilt Show is March 8 and 9, 2019.

"Poinsettias, Prizes, and Pies" is the **Holiday Party** scheduled for 7:00 on December 11, 2017. The party is dessert and beverage only and attendees are asked to bring a batik fat quarter to contribute for a prize.

**Nominating Committee** Chair Marlene Kurtz reported that Treasurer Joy Abbott and First Vice President Jann Warfield were reaffirmed in their positions for another two years.

**Member of the Year** Elva Farrell collected ballots for the Member of the Year, who will be recognized at the December 11, 2017 Holiday Party.

The **Winter Retreat** is sold out, and Kathy Dotson and Linda Kirby announced the **Summer Retreat** will be held July 5, 6, 7, and 8, 2018. Details and the registration form will be in the newsletter.

The Manatee Patchworkers' Guild will display and sell tickets for their donor quilt at our January *Guild Meeting*.

The Modern Sewist is celebrating their first anniversary on November 24 and 25 and there will be food, music, and specials.

The next **Board Meeting** is January 11, 2018, at Delores' home. The next **Guild Meeting** is the Holiday Party on December 11, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Program: Lyric Kinard showcased her wearable art with *Guild members* serving as models.

Show and Tell followed.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Lane, Secretary