



## IEMQG Board Meeting Minutes June 22, 2020 Captured from Zoom Web Conference

Participating Executive Board and Chairpersons: Gayle, Laura, Candy, Elizabeth, Judy, Kelley, Lynn and Becky

Meeting was called to order at 4:51pm by Gayle, our President.

### **Guild Current Business:**

#### **Communications**

Our email campaign for sign-ups to our new hosting service has been a success. All but nine members have signed up and the final reminder email was sent today. Elizabeth posted the general meeting minutes today and also posted five patriotic quilts. Next post with new quilts will be July 6<sup>th</sup>. All Show and Shares from the meeting have also been posted on the blog. There's a tagging issue with the minutes that Elizabeth will look into further. In the meantime if you would like to see past minutes, either general or board meeting, please do a search on the website and they should all populate. As suspected, we will not be receiving any type of refund from GoDaddy. We will be reimbursing Elizabeth for the year she prepaid for our current hosting service.

Kelley reported that she was a little behind on social media postings. However, she still wants to post show and shares from our June general meeting, more quilts from the Urban Challenge and the red, white and blue quilts.

#### **Treasurer**

Candy distributed and discussed the monthly financial statements. Nothing new to report except two new deposits from new members. Elizabeth asked that in lieu of statements, if she could summarize the treasury report.

#### **Opportunity Quilt**

Discussed that we would unveil the Opportunity Quilt and begin selling raffle tickets in January 2021, hopefully at Road to California. Gayle has all the fabric for the binding and sleeve so she will begin binding the quilt soon. Elizabeth mentioned that Cat sent her a picture of the quilt, but it would be nice to have professional photographs taken once it is bound by the Guild's resident photographer, Mike.

Candy is working on the certifications/permits needed for the guild to sell raffle tickets. She has enlisted the help of Kathleen who has experience with this with the CVQG. We'll have to be mindful of the timing of the permit as we may need to apply for a second permit depending on the end date of raffle sales. Once we apply for and receive the permit, we can work on purchasing & printing tickets.



### **Retreat**

Gayle received an email from Tina at Vina de Lestonnac regarding our November retreat. There may be a restriction for there to be only two persons per room. However, depending on the amount of people signed up and the restrictions at that time, three people per room may be possible. She also said that there will be a maximum of 20 people allowed. There will also be a change to the schedule on the final day. We need to be out of our rooms by 9 am and out of the workroom by 12:30 pm. They are also working on adjusting the food service. Currently we have 14 people signed up; 10 paid and four unpaid.

### **Programs**

We discussed the possibility of in person meetings this year and the general consensus is that the probability of that happening is very low. However, we will see if potentially, we might meet in December for some sort of Christmas party event. As such, we determined that Laura should schedule Zoom meetings with the MQG for the remainder of the year. We also agreed that there should be no charge for any guests attending our meetings through the end of the year.

BOM – Discussed resurrecting Block of the Month using the MQG resources. Laura will do a write-up on this for Elizabeth. Currently we want to use the Wild Strawberry block, Laura presented at the June general meeting.

It was brought up that since QuiltCon 2021 will be virtual next year, it might be fun to do research on the lecturers/presenters. We could then do a blurb or spotlight feature on them on the blog and on our social media platforms. We could also consider doing this with Road to California lecturers/presenters as well.

Elizabeth suggested doing another quilt challenge this year. We tabled discussion for a later date.

Candy reminded us that next June will be our 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We will need to do something extra special for our milestone birthday.

### **Review of Calendar–**

July – Dark/No Meeting

August – Laura will be conducting a PowerPoint presentation, “My Best Binding”.

September – “My Favorite Tool Share”, Board members and members are to send their photos to the IEMQG email address with a little paragraph describing why it’s your fave. Need to announce at the August meeting.

October – “Board Member Sewing Studio Tour” this can be accomplished either via video or photos (slide show). Or if we want to open it up to the membership, we can see how much interest we receive depending on the amount of responses. Need to announce at the September meeting. If we have an abundance of interest/responses, we can use this at future meetings going forward.



November – Member University:

Candy – Rope Bowls

Laura – Free Motion Quilting with Geometric Shapes (?)

TBD – we need one more person. Discussed asking the membership if they skills they would like to share. We could call members or do a survey, such as Monkey Survey. Laura will put the survey together. Also if you are on social media and see member posting their special skills, please reach out to them and ask if they'd be interested in participating in Member University.

December – Potentially having the IEMQG Holiday Party in person??? If not, it was suggested that we feature an MQG webinar. Candy thought we should look to see if Victoria Findlay Wolfe might be available for a virtual lecture?

#### **Discuss Logistics of Future Zoom Meetings – Technical Info**

Although we had lots of positive feedback on our first Zoom meeting, we did have a few technical difficulties. Our next meeting in August, we should have a dedicated person to let people into the meeting, checking the chat for comments and questions, and to help with the screen shots. Gayle would like to use the same format & location for the next meeting. It was very helpful to have the extra Board members and Chairs to help out. Many people commented that they liked seeing the IEMQG logo up and it felt more like our in-person meetings. Gayle, Pat and Laura will be doing another run through this Saturday to improve on camera views and audio – the main issues that we experienced. Going forward, Laura will be the main speaker and Gayle will be the host. And there may be co-hosts designated as well.

#### **Guild New Business:**

##### **Secretary Executive Board Position**

Lynn Hanna has offered to take over as Secretary. Candy moved to have Lynn take on the role of Secretary; Elizabeth seconded the motion. Motion passed.

##### **Review of Bylaws Regarding Roster Release to Guild Members**

The question of “how to share roster information” came up recently. It was decided that next year’s membership form will have a box for the member to check if they choose to opt out of sharing their information with the Guild membership. For those who don’t opt out, they will have the ability to let us know how they would like to be contacted via phone, text, email, etc. Elizabeth suggested that we state that their photo could be used on social media. Another suggestion is that we create a form with only member’s name, phone and email be created? Currently the membership form does not address sharing of roster information.

##### **Charity**

Gayle shared that she ordered a box of fusible batting from Quilter’s Dreams for approximately \$65. Typically we wouldn’t buy fusible batting but very low selection is available at this time.



**Adjournment**

The meeting was concluded at 6:00 pm.

**Next Board Meeting:**

July 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm via Zoom (Judy to set up)

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brekke

Co-VIP Programs