SURFSIDE QUILTERS GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES January 9, 2024 Check-in and Registration began at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting location: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 33501 Stonehill Drive, Dana Point, CA

Called to Order at 10:00 a.m. by Mary Mulcahey, President.

Mary welcomed members and guests to the meeting at our new location.

Mary pointed out the locations of exits, restrooms and refreshments. She thanked our pianists, Connie Veldkamp and Elizabeth Geer. Mary asked everyone to silence their cell phones.

There were 79 current members, 4 new members and 12 guests in attendance, bringing it to a total attendance of 95. We currently have 178 members.

Mary wished a Happy Birthday to the members with January birthdays.

The next board meeting will be held on January 16 at 10:00 a.m. at Seaside Villas Clubhouse, Dana Point. All members are welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a: November Fest: Mary Mulcahey thanked Sheri Peltier for all her hard work making the Boutique a success. She announced that the board had voted to not have a November Fest in 2024. Sherri thanked Mary and announced that she and Julie Kemmerer were prepared to run Boutique again at the next November Fest. Sherri asked for members to donate their UFO blocks to her for November Fest 2025. Mary Mulcahey asked members to return any unmade Boutique kits.
- b: Sunshine and Shadows: Denise Riley absent. No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARLIMENTARIAN/PAST PRESIDENT: Debbie Myers.

a: Amending the Bylaws: Membership was asked to vote on a change to the Guild's Bylaws. A quorum (70 members) was verified.

Synopsis of the amendment: During the past three years, we've moved several times. Our VP Facilities, Charlotte Runyan, had to get new contracts and insurance with each move. The VP Facilities job description in the Bylaws does not include these tasks. The amendment would change the Bylaws to reflect these new chores and to give the VP Facilities the authority to sign contracts and obtain insurance for facilities for meetings, workshops and special events. The specific amendment was printed in both the December and January newsletters. The board has already approved the amendment but all Bylaw changes must be voted on by the membership.

Motion to approve amendment: Maggie Bell. Second: Jeanette Brooks. No discussion. No opposition. Motion passed.

b: Nominating Committee Approval: Looking ahead to May 2024, Surfside Quilters Guild will need some new officers. The Executive positions that need to be filled and voted on by the membership include: President, 1st VP Programs, 2nd VP Membership, 3rd VP Facilities, Secretary, Treasurer. In December, a Nominating Committee was formed. It includes: Katy Lillie, Juan Garcia, Deborah Warren, Sharon Scholfield. Alternates: Dawn Johnson and Susan Staebell. President, Mary Mulcahey, formally approved the committee.

c: President's Quilt: The theme for Mary Mulcahey's quilt is Days of Wine and Quilting. Debbie asked all members to pick up a flyer and make a block for Mary's quilt.

SCCQG: Del Thomas. Absent.

Del's scheduled presentation will be given in February.

<u>MONTHLY MINI:</u> Katy Lillie absent. Karen Wendel presented a beautiful pillow donated by Mary Arter. It was made with a pattern called Solare by Bound To Be Quilting, and used 13 different batiks from Banyan Batiks. Monthly Mini brought in \$79 in January.

<u>BUS TRIPS</u>: Elizabeth Geer announced that they are still taking sign-ups for the Road to California bus trip on January 19, 2024.

<u>BLOCK OF THE MONTH</u>: Mary Arter presented the next basket pattern. Instructions for the block are available at Mary's table and on the Guild's website.

WORKSHOPS: Mary Arter presented:

January 10: Heidi Stagno teaching Free Motion Fills.

February 14: Sarah Goer teaching Building an Improv Toolbox. Workshop full, waitlist available.

March 13: Cindy Lohbeck teaching Ice Dyeing. Kit costs \$75.

May 15: Pop Up Sewcial. Sign-ups for a table starting next month.

Raffle tickets are available for the Workshop drawing. January brought in \$22.

<u>PHILANTHROPY</u>: Linda Chiu and Nancy Pestal showed a parade of Philanthropy quilts. Please continue to make lap sized quilts for Meals on Wheels, quilts for kids, teens and babies. Philanthropy would like to start the New Year by inviting everyone to join the Philanthropy group next Wednesday, January 17, at the Center for Spiritual Living in San Clemente from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and RJ's Café as the new lunch venue.

PROGRAM: Jeanette Brooks

The new lunch venue is at RJ's Café in Dana Point.

Jeanette introduced Heidi Stagno presenting How to Select Quilting Designs For Your Quilt Top.

Mary announced the break.

DRAWING WINNERS:

Hospitality: Judy Kamman Monthly Mini: Hiroko Moriwaki Workshop: Lisha Sante Door Prizes: Katie Ruins, Wendy McCalley, Dave Dutcher, and Hiroko Moriwaki

Mary thanked the volunteers, pianists, members and guests who attended.

The next meeting will be on February 13, 2024 with Sarah Goer presenting Rules and Options of Planned Improv Piecing.

Members reminded to clean up, turn on phones.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vivien Hawker, Secretary