Black Swamp Quilt Guild Minutes August 10,2023

Note: The next meeting is on FRIDAY, September 15th at 7pm at our normal location as this is the special Speaker Brian McCoy, the Redneck Quilter. He will have a trunk show and then there will be a very brief meeting after the lecture/trunk show.

The Workshop/Class (Storm at Sea) will be on Saturday, September 16 at the Holiday in BG.

Registration is required! There are still spaces available so invite your friends and family. Rulers are also required, but may be shared or you may purchase them ahead of time although if you order them through Brian there is a discount. They are \$101.17. Box lunches from Call of the Canyon can be ordered ahead of time for a cost of \$13 or you may bring your own lunch. They want to keep the workshop going so prefer everyone eat in. The workshop is 9-5, but the doors open to set up at 8am and they expect to leave at 6pm. A list of supplies will be given out when you register. Questions or to sign up, contact Alisha Frankfather 419-420-5050.

The meeting was called to order by: President Denise Beck

July minutes were approved as published, with a 1st motion by Rose Ackerman and seconded by Carol Hicks. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report as of 7/31/23 included:

Retreat fund balance of \$8447.02 Regular fund balance is \$7728.28 Quilt show fund balance is \$5078.52 Total of \$21,253.82

Membership - We had 5 visitors this month: LeeAnn Cox of BG, Marti Berry of Toledo, Michele Nowaczyk of Grand Rapids, Linda Contreras and Karen Kerr of Cygnet. (Sorry for any misspellings.)

Quilt Day @ the Fair- It was reported that there were 10-12 quilters there all day and lots of visitors. Rose talked up the Quilt show in September. They showed our panel quilts.

Nominating Committee- Jeanette Willman reported that they are trying to fill 2 spots, the president and a member at large for next year. So far one position has been filled and they are working on the other. They will tell us more soon.

Donation quilts: We donate to Cocoon Shelter/Children's Resource Center (CRC)/Quilts for Heroes from the Heartland (Cincinnati Veterans Hospital)/St Vincent Hospital Pediatric Palliative Care Unity/Wood County Hospital Cancer Center. Denise asked if we should add back Project Linus. Denise will get sizes for these donation quilts for next month.

Quilt Show 9/20-9/23 Committee Report & Requests

Volunteers are needed for several things, the quilting bee, set up, take down, admissions table during the show, for selling raffle tickets before the show at Ben's, and for people to demo quilting techniques during the show. Please contact Rose Ackerman to sign up at 419-308-6808. Remember you get one day's free admission to the show for helping.

Sheila Painter 419-882-0460 is accepting donations for the raffle baskets, and Wendy Jenkins 419-806-7173 and Calista Grogan 419-327-7762 are asking for volunteers for hospitality to make and bring food for the workers and vendors. The committee is also asking for volunteers to demonstrate various quilting techniques during the show as well as quilting during the quilting bee. So many opportunities to help! AND for 4 hours of volunteering, you get free admission to the show! The committee has also made a beautiful BGSU quilt and will be putting it up on FaceBook at our page and BGSU's page with tickets \$5 each or 6 /\$25. They will be selling the tickets in front of Ben's . Connie from the Stitchin' Post is supplying a Bernina 325 sewing machines for a raffle (in her booth)! She is also

bringing sewing machines to be used in the classes being taught at the show. The machines will be available (at a discount!) for purchase after the show.

Please register by September 1st. Registration is \$5 and checks should be made out to Black Swamp Quilt Guild, and mailed to Kim Armstrong-Brooks at 215 Byall Ave., Bowling Green OH 43402. The registration form is on the Quilt and Needle Arts website https://www.quiltsandneedleartsfestival.com/ and also has the full requirements for registration. The quilts can be old inherited/purchased quilts or new ones you have made, but they do need sleeves attached to submit them as well as your name and contact info on the back of the quilt so we make sure they get back to you. We have lots of room, so ask your quilting friends too!

Retreat - October 19-22, 2023 – Jacquie Sharrer reminded us of several things. The scissor guy is coming to the retreat and normal or pinking shears are \$4 and pruners are \$3. Label scissors with a string/tag/or masking tape with your name on them. The massage lady will be there for \$10/10 minute time slot. Bring return address labels for the raffle so you don't have to sign 25 tickets. She said they are having a snack table, free items area, garage sale-bring your items priced. Games are bingo & left, right, center dice games using 12, 2.5" strips and 6 fat quarters- bring your fabric if you would like to play. Deb Tell will be back for her 'bargain" fabric sale on Saturday. Two demos are planned: an origami bag-if you would like to make one at the retreat just bring 3 fat quarters. The other demo will be circles. Please fill out your medical form in a sealed envelope and place under your sewing machine upon your arrival. They are accepting donation quilts at the retreat. This year they are having "pie" on Sunday before going home. And last but not least there is the tote bag challenge. Questions? Contact Jacquie Scharrer at 419-957-8229.

Announcements – Calista is looking for a roommate for the Amish Retreat in Berlin September 24-25. If you are interested contact Sheri Wise. Note this is a Sunday and Monday and immediately following our show.

Program – 4 Corners with Carol Hicks, Jeanette Willman, Kathy Haver and Deborah Tell

Show and Tell

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Jensen