



# Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Nevada County, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, August 13, 2020  
Zoom meeting online

**Attendance:** President Barbara Ceresa, Treasurer Kathy Mollet, Sheri Doerr, Jean Marie McDonald, Sue Miller, Holly Miner, Karle deProse, Joan Mosley, Anne Wilson, Judy Hamilton, Jane Dunnington, Mary Ross, Susanne Haislet, Kathy Biggi.

A. **Call to order** at 3:06 pm by President Barbara Ceresa.

B. **Announcements:**

1. Barbara thanked the Zoom Committee for setting up a successful general meeting in August, and gave a thank you to Lillian for leading the meeting. The feedback from the Zoom experience was positive with members enjoying the close-up views of quilts and the discussion opportunities in the breakout sessions.
2. Barbara shared her recent experience of receiving what looked to be a legitimate email from a member that really was a scam asking for gift cards to be sent to them. Barbara's caution was to check on the complete accuracy of the email address before opening anything, and if it looks at all suspicious to not respond. She reported it to the Nevada County Sheriff's office and to the FTC.
3. Jean Marie McDonald commented that even in this time of limited guild activity she recently received a membership from someone moving into the area from Southern California.
4. It has been noted that nowhere in the 2020 Roster is there a listing of the guild's website address. It was left off the cover for some reason, and a notation will be made to make sure it returns for future editions.

C. **Minutes from July Board Meeting:** Sue Miller moved to adopt the minutes as written. Anne Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup>.

D. **Treasurer's Report - Kathy Mollet:** The current balance is \$67,028.02. There has only been a slight change over the previous report, due to several old outstanding checks being voided.

- E. **Old Business: The Nominating Committee for the 2021 Executive Board** read a statement which will appear in the August newsletter, confirming that, at the recommendation of the full board, the currently serving Executive Board continue service through 2021. 8/20

In that statement it is made clear that additional nominations will be accepted from the membership at the September 1<sup>st</sup> general meeting, (to be conducted via Zoom), and nominations will remain open until the 9<sup>th</sup>. At that time the ballot will be prepared in readiness for membership voting at the October general meeting (to be conducted via Zoom). Voting will actually occur on-line prior to the October 6<sup>th</sup> general meeting. Ballots will be mailed to those who do not have internet.

F. **New Business:**

1. **2021 Membership Fee** – Barbara Ceresa began a discussion for a one-time reduction of the 2021 membership fee as a good faith response to the loss of guild activities this year. A motion to reduce the 2021 renewal fee by 50% for current members was made by Sue Miller, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jean Marie McDonald. The affiliate \$15.00 fee will remain the same. Approval by membership vote is required for this action, and it will be included on the election ballot.
2. **2021 Budget Committee** – Karle deProsse asked for the formation of a committee to review the proposed budget for the upcoming year, in response to the changes in guild income this year. Volunteering to assist Karle on the committee were Barbara Ceresa, Lillian Glaeser, Kathy Mollett, Anne Wilson, and Susanne Haislet.
3. **Website Team** – Holly Miner shared the current work of the team to streamline the appearance of the guild’s webpage by reducing clutter and brightening its look. Associated with this was the suggestion to **update the guild logo**. Holly shared a visual idea of how this could be done by including color gradations and a design that makes the logo flexible for multiple applications. Committee members Sophia Day, Jane Dunnington, Susanne Haislet and Holly Miner will continue to meet. Sue Miller thanked the committee for all of their work, especially the effort devoted to training members in the use of Zoom.
4. **Discussion of upcoming September Meeting** – It will be conducted via Zoom with Show & Tell and the breakout sessions as was done in August. Additional ideas were suggested for future meetings to include tours of members’ quilting rooms, quick technique tutorials, use of a new tool, or sharing Patchwork Star. It was suggested to reach out to new members with a personal invitation by telephone to join the September meeting. Hospitality Chair Kathy Biggi will contact board members with names of new members for those calls.

G. **Committee Reports:**

1. **Membership – Jean Marie McDonald:** A member is needed to help Jean Marie now, and be willing to take over the position after the 2021 membership roster is printed.
2. **Opportunity Quilt – Joan Mosley:** The quilt is complete. Ticket sales will not begin until in-person meetings resume.

3. **Share and Care – Mary Ross:** A reporting of those members who have received “thinking of you” cards will be listed in the monthly newsletter.
4. **Mini Groups – Jane Dunnington:** Some groups are meeting in socially distanced environments, others are not.
5. **Hospitality – Kathy Biggi:** Board members will be matched with names of new members for a contact phone call before the next Zoom meeting. 8/20
6. **Finance – Karle deProsse:** The Nevada County Historical Society has extended the no-rent status through the end of September.
7. **Community Service – Kathy Biggi for Nancy Holtz:** Pick up/drop offs are continuing on a limited basis.
8. **Home Workshops:** None are scheduled.
9. **Jamboree:** The 2020 Jamboree has been cancelled.

H. **Meeting Adjourned** at 4:58 pm by Pres. Barbara Ceresa.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheri Doerr  
Secretary

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