

**RMCQ Board Meeting Minutes**  
**November 24, 2009 4 p.m. at Annie Miller's home**

Attendance: Carol Anderson, Kay Jones, Julie Hallquist, Cookie Warner, Annie Miller, Nancy Tracy, Joy Torelli

Carol began by asking for approval of the previous board meeting minutes. Kay so moved, Julie seconded, there was no discussion, and the minutes were approved. There was a question about whether we should publish the minutes on the website. Annie felt that our organization should be transparent and that there is nothing in the minutes that should not be public. Joy said she did ask Jean about setting up a members only section of the website. It was decided that setting up passwords and a special section was more trouble than it was worth. The group agreed that the roster will remain offline and in printed form only.

Nancy provided profit-loss statements. The profit-loss statements will continue to be available in a notebook at general meetings for people to look at if they so wish. We have already broken even with the calendar sales and we have received about 40 2010 membership renewals already. There was a concern about expenses and meals for speakers. The program committee will work on standing rules to clarify how much we should budget for speaker meals. The committee wants to assure that we are spending a reasonable amount when dining out with speakers at restaurants. Julie moved to approve the treasurer's report. Joy seconded and the motion was approved.

Carol announced that Kay will take over the treasurer's duties in January. The board is thankful for the wonderful job that Nancy has done and is confident that Kay will be a great treasurer, too.

A new membership committee chair is being sought. Carol will continue to contact potential chairs for this committee. If anyone is interested, please contact Carol.

Carol passed out new bookmarks created by Laura Costi. Everyone thought they were clever and creative. Carol will find out more about costs.

Julie handed out a 2009 program expense record. The board was satisfied with how the money was spent and how workshop costs and program expenses were balanced. The board discussed other venues. Cookie had checked into the Aztlan community center earlier this year. Their meeting rooms were too small for our group and if we doubled up meeting rooms, it would be too expensive. Other venues might be less, but we might have to rent chairs and do set-up ourselves. The board is pleased with the Senior center for many reasons: walls are perfect for displaying quilts, they do the set-up and provide a projector. Carol will ask the Senior Center about the cloggers that have been noisy in the next room over for the last two programs. Cookie agreed to look into the Drake Center and ask about room rental there.

Programs for 2010 (some are tentative)

January 11: Betsy Cannon, (with workshop -signup available now!)

February 8: Charlotte Ziebarth, (with workshop -Photoshop Elements)

March 8: Do Palma,

April: This is still open. It might be a longarmer's trunk show and checklist for quilters who want to take their tops to a longarmer.

April workshop: Elda Kohls,

May: Jo Fittell, "Ten mistakes that art quilters make" (tentative)

Her workshop may involve evaluating the work of individuals and design individualized exercises. (tentative)

June 14: Linda Hibbert,

July 12: Ruth Powers,

August: Vickie Pignatelli,

September: Lynn Jaenke,

October: Finishing Touches (a collection of techniques taught in rotating group, round-robin fashion),

November 8: Ann Fahl

2011 Programs:

April: Karen Eckmeier

The Rocky Mountain Quilt Foundation has offered to sponsor a website for a newly formed Colorado Council of Quilt Guilds. Julie provided a written proposal for the board to consider. The fee is \$30 per year. The Council would meet quarterly and would want representatives from each organization to attend. The concept is modeled after a similar council in California. The California site has a calendar with all the activities of all the guilds. Julie suggested that people visit the CO website to decide if we would like to join. [www.rockymountainquiltfoundation.com](http://www.rockymountainquiltfoundation.com) The California site is [www.sccqg.org](http://www.sccqg.org) and has 90 member guilds.

Our application has been submitted for a booth at next year's August (20-22) quilt festival. We have to provide volunteers. We also would want to move up the calendar production so that we could sell calendars at the August festival. Annie brought up the idea of using quilts from past calendars in a screen saver. The idea might be investigated next year.

The program committee is also investigating having videos available in the event that a speaker has to cancel a program. She also mentioned some other quilting activities that could be provided if the speaker cannot come.

The committee was also wondering about cancellation procedures in the event of inclement weather. It was suggested that there might be a Senior Center snow hotline. If they have a number, we will print that in the newsletter. We should also add the Senior Center number and cancellation policy or procedures to the directory.

Jeanie Sumrall-Ajero has offered to do a workshop or a lecture about printing on fabric. This may be a program for 2011.

Carol suggested there might have to be a clause in the program contract clarifying transportation expenses. Speakers who move between the time the contract is signed may increase their transportation expenses. The added clause may have to say that the transportation payments will be based on the address at the time the contract is signed.

The program committee is continuing to work on the committee's standing rules and workshop cancellation policies. The board is satisfied to let the program committee be flexible about hardship cancellations and refunds.

Kay suggested "texture magic" product for a future technique of the month. Janet Pugh would like to issue a Challenge in 2010. The board is enthusiastic about this idea.

Show and Tell: Keep encouraging people to bring in quilts!

To purchase calendars contact Kay through the RMCQ website email address found in the "contact us" section.

Fabric is still left over from the garage sale for future fundraising.

Website: Joy spent more time with Jean learning about adding photos to the website.  
Email blast: One December email should go out about workshops, calendars, and the "no-meeting" reminder.  
Forms and other documents should not be sent as PDF's unless they are in final form for the website.

Emails will continue to go out to all 2009 members through the end of January.

Help is still needed for the Publicity committee. Contact Carol if you are interested. A job description is available.

Small groups: There was a suggestion to have a small group focused on dyeing. This was considered kind of impractical because of the facilities needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Annie Miller