Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild Minutes of January 17, 2014

President Judy Riddle called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM. 24 members were present. There were no guests or visitors.

<u>Minutes:</u> Iris Lorenz-Fife moved approval of the minutes of the November 17, 2013 meeting, seconded by Renata Lopez. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Beginning balance: \$8,006.08

Income: 4,016.44 Expenses: 1,237.55 Ending balance: \$10,784.97

Treasurer Kalynn Oleson explained what our income covers during the year.

<u>Program:</u> Kalynn Oleson explained what she and Charis Webb will teach in the Vessel Class (March) and what she will teach in the Sweatshirt Jacket Class (April). She asked everyone to sign up as soon as possible so that they could see if there's enough interest to hold the classes.

<u>Continuing Education:</u> Kalynn Oleson and Jan Carter announced that there are only three people signed up for Intermediate Quilting. They need to have six in order to teach the class.

<u>Membership:</u> Gail Spencer thanked everyone who has already paid their dues and reminded those who haven't that it is due. She also thanked anyone who had donated an Angel Gift. She announced three new members, including our first male members. They are Nathan Ramser, Michelle Reid, and Paul Cupich. Welcome!

<u>Publicity:</u> Janice Batchelder thanked whoever sent in the great article that appeared in the ICO. She doesn't know who did.

Newsletter: Anna Hines announced that the deadline for this month's articles is January 26th. The February deadline will be February 20th, a week earlier. She is going to teach Judy Riddle how to do the newsletter and then Judy and Laura Hamilton will take over in March, when the new slate takes office.

<u>Website</u>: Bonnie Toy will continue as web master. She asks that members not submit documents with errors.

Library: Extra books will be taken to the Pt. Arena Library.

<u>Hospitality:</u> Thanks to Laura Hamilton and Sue Miller for a wonderful lunch for those who attended the Comfort Quilt/QOV workshop. Elaine Reed, Sue Lease and Ann Graf provided goodies.

<u>Festival of Trees:</u> Joyce Gaudet announced that leftover items are available for return or to be kept until next year. You can donate leftover quilts to Polly for comfort quilts. Members can still purchase items for ½ price.

<u>2014 AIR Quilt:</u> Judy Riddle reported that the quilt center is completed and the border is about 1/3 completed. They hope to send it for machine quilting next month.

<u>Comfort Quilts:</u> Polly Dakin announced that Rebecca O'Neal donated the fabric from her mother's stash to be used for comfort quilts and QOV. Batting is available for comfort quilts. She announced that Project Santa could use fun, entertaining, and warm children's quilts.

Quilts of Valor (QOV): Polly Dakin is taking over for Marilyn Limbaugh, who has moved away. Thank you to Marilyn, who began and has run this program and delivered quilts to wounded veterans in Palo Alto. Polly will have labels available at the February meeting. Polly and Jan Carter will be taking the quilts down, probably in May. She needs more quilts.

Gail Spencer has the directions for the bags we make for Children's Hospital. More items are needed for both programs.

<u>Challenge 2014:</u> Joyce Gaudet offered to take over collecting and distributing the food for the opening, with help from Carole Garcia and Laura Hamilton.

Iris announced the registration forms are being finalized and will be available soon. She would like to include a page with song lyrics next to each quilt. Registration forms are due in March and the opening will be on Friday, April 4th.

<u>Retreat:</u> 28 people have signed up. If you are interested in the small project we will complete at the retreat, please pick up your bags from Marva at the Loft.

Special Events: Renata reminded members that the post-holiday luncheon is at St. Orre's on January 23rd. Lunch will be served a noon, but please arrive @ 11:30 for pictures. 25 members have signed up. Each person must pay for his/her own lunch. St. Orre's will take a check, cash or credit card (No American Express). A 20% tip and tax will be added to each bill. If you have signed up, you must pay, even if you can't attend.

Name Tag Drawing: Janice Batchelder won.

<u>New Business:</u> New member Paul Cupich announced that he runs a sewing machine repair business. He works on most machines and can be reached at 415-444-6002 or at gualalapaul@gmail.com.

Show and Tell: Dee Goodrich showed an Irish Chain quilt that will be hand quilted by the Ft. Bragg quilters. Sue Miller showed a comfort quilt and a Project Santa quilt.

Judy Riddle adjourned the meeting at 1:50 PM. Members returned to the comfort quilt workshop.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Dunsmoor, with help from Carole Garcia.