Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild Minutes of May 9, 2014 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by president Judy Riddle at 1:00. 41 members were present, and one visitor.

A motion was made by Barbara Dunsmoor and seconded by Joyce Gaudet to approve the minutes of the April 2014 meeting. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Kalynn Oleson reported that we started the month with a balance of \$9,370.91. We had income of \$295.00 and expenses of \$487.66, leaving us with a balance of \$9,178.25.

Program Committee: Kalynn Oleson gave a short synopsis of Rosalie Dace's 4-day class. In June there will be a comfort quilt and quilt of valor workshop. July will be no meeting, but an outing planned by Renata Lopez. In September Cara Gulati will give a workshop on "Voluptuous Applique." The October meeting has been moved to October 10 to accommodate those members going to Pacific International Quilt Fest (PIQF). At that meeting Marie Strait from San Jose Quilt Museum will be our speaker.

Continuing Education: Continuing Education is on hold for the time being.

Membership: Gail announced a new member Kate Barrett, who said she is soon opening a new quilt shop in Cloverdale called Bolt.

Publicity: Janice Batchelder had nothing new to report.

Newsletter: The deadline for articles is May 25.

Website: Bonnie Toy had no news to report.

Library: Jan Carter showed examples of wonderful books that are in our library and encouraged us to use them.

Hospitality: Ann Graf thanked Laura Hamilton and Gail Spencer for bringing treats, and also thank you to the committee who set up the tables upstairs.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet pointed out a table of new contributions for FOT, and also fabric that was donated by Sue Arnold and patterns available for use on next year's FOT. We met our monetary goal in 2013 and she doesn't want to go below that this year.

Arts In the Redwoods Quilt: The 2014 AIR quilt is currently hanging in Gualala Arts Center. The 2015 quilt is a work in progress, and will be upcoming.

Comfort Quilts: Polly Dakin talked about the June 20th workshop which is for making comfort quilts and Quilts of Valor. The hours of the workshop are 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Morning and afternoon snacks will be served, as well as lunch. She stated that we need some masculine, or gender-neutral quilts to give away. She currently has three quilts of valor, and needs at least ten of them to take to the Veterans hospital in Palo Alto.

Challenge 2014: Barbara Dunsmoor thanked everyone for their participation in the 2014 challenge, which consisted of 90 quilts. She thanked Iris Lorenz-Fife for heading up the committee in the beginning, Paula Osborne for the publicity, Charis Webb for all of her work, Jan Carter for the musical cd at the opening, and Joyce Gaudet for organizing the food at the opening. She mentioned that several people had made specific trips here to see the PPQG exhibit.

Challenge 2015: Barbara Dunsmoor announced that the challenge for 2015 will be "Above and Beyond." The secondary challenge is to push yourselves to go above and beyond what you've done before. She would like to have 92 quilts next year. The PPQG Challenge show will be open the 1st weekend in April (4/3/15) and will be displayed during the month of April.

Retreat: Donna Blum announced that the date of the 2015 retreat will be February 2 through February 5. There is a limit of 30 people. Everyone was encouraged to come, those who had come before, and those who have not been. Email Jan Carter if you are interested. JANLC56@mac.com

Special Events: Renata reported that the July 24th outing will be at Fort Ross. We will meet there at 12:30 for lunch. At 2:00 we will have a 45-minute talk about the history of the fort and its future. After that we will be on our own for exploration. A quilt-related activity will be included in the day. A box lunch will be available for \$12.00 or we can bring our own lunch. Please email Renata if you are interested, if you want a box lunch, and if you have any dietary restrictions. rntlopez1@gmail.com

NameTag drawing was won by Sharon Stinson.

New Business: Kalynn Oleson explained the "Bag of Stuff" challenge. Bags of stuff were anonymously exchanged. The resulting projects will be due at the November meeting. She showed examples from the last time we did this.

Show and Tell: Judy Riddle showed the jacket she made from Kalynn's class. Kalynn showed some vessels she had made. Ellen Soule showed the book she has written and published, "Dreaming Pemberly." Jan Carter showed a baby quilt started at the retreat, and a dog bed she made from all of our collected scraps to donate to the local Humane Society. Five projects and works in progress were shown from Rosalie Dace's class.

Kalynn Oleson introduced our speaker, Rosalie Dace.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Carter