

MUDSOCK BOARD MINUTES

June 28, 2024

Attending: Dawn Wilhite, Lauri Farthing, Chris Behme, Elaine Parker, Laura Anderson, Pat Jones, Diane Dimpfl, Carlene Clark

Chris Behme is facilitating the meeting as Mary Boyden is unable to attend.

- Motion to accept the April 2024 minutes made by Laura Anderson Seconded by Laura Farthing.

Laura Anderson reported that:

- The Reimbursement Form with the minor change of adding Skillbuilders will be posted to the website shortly.
- Treasurer's report was disbursed.

Elizabeth Shanahan reported in absentia that the deadline for the newsletter is June 30.

Melissa Schulman reported in absentia that

- The Garage Sale made \$1300.
- She is looking for a new chair for Steals 'n Deals for 2025.

Marsha Coleman reported in absentia that:

- The challenge will be at the July meeting. I have two judges lined up, hoping for a third. Gift cards will be awarded to the winner. Everyone's items will be displayed in an organized fashion.

- August is another workshop by Jennifer Fulton. Marsha has advertised in Facebook, and she is contacting Carlene Clark to have the information placed on the website.

Diane Dimphl reported:

- We currently have 151 quilts with 139 returning quilts. (That is 21 more than we had at 2023 this time of year).
 - Still have many three-yard quilts and Brickyard quilts pending.
 - Printing costs for the quilt show are \$327.50. Submitted by Linda Westbrook.
 - For the quilt show, there will be three raffle quilts that are beautiful.
 - Looking for extra quilt racks.
 - Looking for a sound system, which Mary Ann Yednick has. She would like to announce the winner of raffles, the winner must be present.
 - There will be the same or lesser number of vendors at the quilt show.
 - Many parking issues happened last year. Looking for other ideas.
 - ✓ Chris Behme suggested carpooling. Or we could park in Kroger and have someone agree to drive back and forth.
 - ✓ Concerns with how small the Charity Sew In has become, Is it time to stop doing the Community Sew? Prior to Covid there were 24 people there, and it was known as the place to learn how to quilt. Now there are four.
 - ✓ Laurie Farthing suggested monthly 15–20-minute educational talks.
 - ✓ Or any charities.
 - ✓ Add more kits.
 - ✓ Laura Anderson stated that life has changed, and people are just busy.
 - Laura Anderson pointed out that people want to do their own personal things.
 - We need more events like Brickyard, etc. at least quarterly will fill it up.
 - ✓ Specifically invite new members, see what Community Sew is all about and encourage charity chairs to come.
 - Chris Behme stated that the learning at Community would be completely different than programs or Skillbuilders.

- Diane Dimphl suggested that refreshments be served.
- Chris Suggested an “open house” or “meet and greet” event.

Lauri Fathing reported that:

- First Christmas party meeting has been held
 - This year’s theme will be Whoville (from the Grinch that Stole Christmas)
 - Some of 2023’s complaints were addressed.
 - They are going to streamline the admission area, checking in took too long.
 - Some concerns were made regarding more protein choices
 - Perhaps placing all tables inside would ease the congestion in the lobby.
 - Currently collecting baskets for prizes.

Wanda Feder reported in absentia that

- We have 237 members.
- Three new members in May
- One new member in June.

Elaine Parker reported on Skill Builders:

- Our original goal was to have four Skill Building events.
- We are up to the fourth class to be taught by Diane Dimphl at Delaware on July 31st. She will discuss how to quilt your own quilts.
- On September 14, 2024 Diane Davis will teach her “No Sew Pumpkin” September 14 at her house.
- One more class is pending
- That will be six classes, which are two more than the original goal of four.
- Looking for ideas for 2025.

Carlene Clark reported that

- There has been a lot of issues with the website. However, she and Chris Behme have made a list of errors, and is looking for an outside expert. (losing files, losing buttons, things are disappearing).
- Website doesn't carry a large budget, but this year they might incur additional expenses.
- We will start restricting the calendar to members only as they are now using Google Docs which frequently includes people's personal information.

Chris Behme reported that:

- We are at our limit for our retreat.
- Nine people haven't yet paid, the deadline is July 1. After that she will contact those on the waitlist.
- Chris Behme reinforced that we are doing a great job, and to ignore the naysayers. There will always be unhappy people.