

IEMQG General Meeting Minutes: Saturday, February 4, 2023

Location: Arlanza Library, Riverside, CA

Social time: 1:30pm – 2:00pm

President Candy Scott opened the meeting at 2:00pm

Candy welcomed new members and several guests to the meeting. Judy Burnett, Carol Weston, Gail Sevilla, Betty Altstadt, Shannon Hobbs, Elizabeth Eastmond and Andrea joined in person and on Zoom.

Announcements:

QuiltCon in Atlanta, GA begins on Thursday, Feb 23-Sunday, Feb 26th. Candy and several members will be attending.

Sit and Sew is on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month via Zoom at 7:00pm. The next drop-in sew dates are February 7th and February 21st. An email reminder with the password and Zoom link will be sent before the date.

Program. Jenn Boling introduced Carolina Oneto who presented a very informative and dynamic program entitled “The Power of Color Composition.” Carolina also provided an outline of her program to the Guild and Patti will send it out to members and post it on Member’s Corner.

After a short break with wonderful snacks, the meeting continued.

Show and Share – We saw lots of beautiful quilts, including 2 that Nancy finished from the Retreat, Barbara and Patti both presented their 12” x 12” quilt on “Layers” and Diana showed a lovely quilt using various Quilt as you go techniques. See Member’s Corner for photos.

Treasurer – Gayle Bennett. Gayle gave the treasurer’s report, including information on the sale of tickets for the Opportunity Quilt from Road to California. Anyone that wants to promote the Opportunity Quilt at various clubs or civic events can contact Gayle. Patti will make arrangements to take it to a club in March, and Gayle is planning to take it to the City of Ontario Art Walk in May.

If you made a 2022 Block of the Month Quilt and want to donate it to our charities, you can finish just the top for the reveal in March. If you want to donate it, provide the top, backing and binding and we will provide the batting and have someone quilt it for you.

Membership - Kate McCarthy. 60% of our members have renewed. Fees can be paid thru PayPal or by sending a check. The \$45.00 annual membership fee also includes 6 opportunity quilt tickets. Kate reported that 4 new members joined the Guild during Road to CA, and 2 additional new members joined at the meeting.

Retreat – Debbi LoCicero. The retreat will be held at Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center, 38300 De Portola Rd, Temecula, CA 92592 from Monday, November 6th through Thursday, November 9th, 2023. We currently have 12 participants signed up for the retreat. Registration forms are available on Member’s Corner. The deposit of \$100.00 must be sent with your registration. Final payment will be due in September. Payment via PayPal or check appreciated. Please email your form to iemodernquiltguild@gmail.com to the attention of Lynn Hanna.

Unfortunately, we received an unexpected cost increase for food from Vina. Meals are being increased by \$4.00 each (\$36.00 for our 9 meals). The Board determined the best way to handle the cost increase was to eliminate the program fees that were part of the original retreat cost and increase the overall cost to participants to \$445.00 (up from \$420.00) per person/double occupancy. Participants that would like a refund because of the cost increase should speak to Lynn.

Block of the Month – Patti Reyes. The reveal of the 2022 BOM will be at the March meeting. The next 12 months of BOM will be based on half square triangles and block designs by Steph Jacobson from the Omaha Nebraska Modern Quilt Guild. There are lots of images and threads on social media for half square BOM, search on #modernhstbom for ideas.

Patti also reported that the Wedge Quilt challenge that began in January will reveal in July.

Next Meeting. The next meeting is on March 4, 2023 at Arlanza Library (Hybrid with Zoom). We will have a short presentation about the Aids Quilt Panels from a representative at Mizell Center and the 2022 BOM Quilts will be revealed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Debbi LoCicero and Debbie Lepper, Co-Secretaries