IEMQG General Meeting Minutes: Saturday, September 2, 2023

Location: SSgt. Salvador J. Lara Casa Blanca Library, 2985 Madison Street, Riverside, CA 92504; (951) 826-2120. Social time: 1:30pm – 2:00pm; Meeting 2:00pm

President Candy Scott opened the meeting at 2:00pm and welcomed everyone in the room and on Zoom. There were no new members or guests present.

Announcements:

Drop-In Sew is the 2nd and 4th Monday: These dates are September 12th and September 19th from 7:00-9:00pm **QuiltCon Community Outreach Quilt:** Patti reported on the Outreach Quilt progress. Another Sew Day is September 20th. Bring sewing supplies to Lake Matthews Meeting Room to sew from 10am – 4pm. Bring your lunch. We still need LOTS of blocks!

QuiltCon: Is being held February 21 – 25th 2024 in Raleigh, NC. Registration opened on August 15th.

September 2023 Block of the Month: The pattern will be on the website.

MQG is raising guild dues by 10% on January 1st. We will not be raising individual dues.

SCCQG will have an exhibit of quilts at Road2CA. Information on what the entry requirements are is on the IEMQG Blog. Deadline to enter is October 23rd. Size can be no larger than 60" x 60". Group quilts are preferred.

Nominating Committee for 2024 officers: Michelle will be on the nominating committee. Candy has also offered to assist. We need 1 non-board member to serve on the committee too.

Upcoming Meetings:

October Meeting: HYBRID Meeting. In person and Zoom at SSgt. Salvador J. Lara Casa Blanca Library, 2985 Madison Street, Riverside, CA 92504.

November Meeting: Member University. This will be in person at SSgt. Salvador J. Lara Casa Blanca Library, 2985 Madison Street, Riverside, CA 92504. We need 2 additional 8-10 minute demos. Annie and Michelle might organize something for the people that are on Zoom as a separate activity from the in person demos.

December Meeting: This is our holiday party. HYBRID Meeting. In person and Zoom at SSgt. Salvador J. Lara Casa Blanca Library, 2985 Madison Street, Riverside, CA 92504. The Mini/Maxi challenge will be revealed.

2024 Programs and Activities: We have 3 speakers planned for Hybrid meetings. We have 3 Sew Days planned. We will also feature Member Spotlights. There are still 4 months to plan.

Retreat: Lynn Hanna reported that there are 21 people signed up for the retreat. The 1 remaining space is open to members and non-members. The retreat is being held from Monday, November 6th (check in at 10am) through Thursday, November 9th (check out at 10:am) at Vina in Temecula. There will be a pop-up fabric shop on Tuesday morning, Lynn has coordinated a color project and there will be pillowcases and other things to work on for charity. Those that want to go wine tasting can coordinate amongst themselves. The cost of the retreat is \$445.00. with a \$100.00 deposit due when you sign up, and the balance is due by the October 2023 meeting.

Charity: Gayle reported that she will take some pillowcases to House of Ruth. We would also like members to bring non-perishable foods to the November meeting for the D'Andre Lampkin Foundation's Food Pantry.

Refreshments and Show and Share: After a brief break with refreshments, we had Show and Share with several members showing their beautiful creations. See the website for photos.

Program.

Laura Green introduced today's program, a video tutorial from the MQG website entitled "Maximal Mini's". Members watched the tutorial and started experimenting with their fabrics for the mini/maxi challenge.

Candy adjourned the meeting at about 4:15pm

Respectfully Submitted: Debbie Lepper, Co-Secretary