

PALS Board Meeting Report - September 26, 2016

Meeting was called to order by Cheryl Berggren at 6:38pm.

Committee Reports:

* Co-Chair: (Joy Lamphere) Not present, no report

* Secretary: (Penney Ippen) Not present, no report

* Finances: (through September 24, 2016) (Mary Warden)

Total Income: \$3,268.80

Total Expenses: \$715.97

Total Assets: Checking: \$1155.55

Savings: \$10,200.31

Cash Boxes: \$65.00

Total Liabilities: \$14,872.52

Mary will request a new QuickBooks program from Dave Myers as we are having problems with the older program we have now.

* Quilt Show: (Darla Parks) Demonstrations are set and booked, Registration forms and sign-up sheets are ready, Challenge fabric is purchased and Kay Wilton will begin selling fabric (¼ yard for \$3.00) at the October 3rd meeting.

* Baby Quilts: (Jami Harwood, Lou Ann Mrotz) So far there are 49 ladies who have made 2 or more quilts, 20 that have made 1 quilt for 2016. Our top baby-quilt maker is Nancy Boxer who has made 60 quilts in 2016! 80 pins will be ordered @ \$3.95 each (guild price) plus \$7.00 shipping. Pins will be distributed at our December Christmas Dinner.

We have 415 baby quilts as of now (65 from last year) and intend to give 70 quilts to each of 6 charities:

1) Catholic Charities of West Michigan

4) Women & Family Ministries

2) Every Woman's Place

5) Muskegon Pregnancy Services

3) Love Inc.

6) not named, not contacted yet

Child Abuse Counsel not accepting this year. Advised that Gall's may have more quilts to be picked up.

* Library: (Barb Reynolds) Advised board that Deb Karasik did not give a book to the Library as was stated in her contract. but she donated extra door prizes.

* Resources: (Kathy Myers) Not present, no report

* Membership: (Peggy Jobe) No report

* Marketing: (Deb Tilton) Tumblers are in and will be at the October 3 meeting.

* Bee Keeper: (Su Palmer) No report

* Historian: (Kathy Preston) No report

* Lighthouse Liaison: (Su Palmer) Gave us a list of speakers/classes to be held at Lighthouse Guild starting with Lenore Crawford this month, Sue Cortese (Nov), Linda's Legacy - Linda Neimeyer Quilts (Dec), Bonnie Hunter (Mar, 2017), and Ann Lovelace (Sept, 2017).

* Newsletter: (Sylvia Koski) Deadline for next newsletter: October 5, 2016. Barb Bennett with ½ page ad for "Barn Quilts" would like to also sit at Teacher's Table. Decided she needs to be a member and owes additional \$2.50 plus pay additional \$10 for ad.

New Business:

* Betty Ross - Travel mugs will be for sale at the general meeting. PALS logo wear order forms and samples will be at Oct thru Dec meetings.

* Breast Cancer Quilt - Quilt is done and needs a label. Sylvia Koski and Kathy Preston will sell tickets at the meeting in October. Mary Warden has pink tickets. All are requested to wear pink.

* November is membership month. Will have forms available at the October meeting and in the newsletter. Will get in contact with Kathy Myers for gift basket for a Nov. drawing for registrants. Peggy Jobe asked if handing the membership card to the person and have them put their name on it was ok. Yes.

* PALS University - Cheryl Berggren announced she has 6 "classes" and teachers for November.

* Board Members Needed - Co-Chair for 2017 will be Jami Harwood, Treasurer will be Mary Horan.

Will need new Board members for: Baby Quilts, Membership, Historian, Newsletter and Secretary.

- * A Suggestion Box was put out and a lecture/class for machine quilting and a lecture/class for crazy quilting were suggested.
- * Joy Lamphere (2017 Chair) has two speakers lined up for next year.
- * 2017 Quilt Show information to go on second page of newsletter.
- * Send out email blast regarding: **1**-Travel mugs and PALS logowear prepaid orders to be available.
2-Dues are due by Nov. **3**-Bring cash for Quilt Show Challenge fabric (\$3 for ¼ yd.), Cancer Quilt raffle, Membership dues, Stash Cash raffle.
- * Darla Parks asked about publishing a monthly vs. bi-monthly newsletter. Sylvia Koski stated it would not cost anything more to publish and email, but postage is \$.85 to mail a copy to those without email addresses. Lighthouse charges an extra \$5.00 at membership time for those not providing an email address. Cheryl counted about 40 members without emails and there are about 85 that get hard copy newsletters. Membership will remain \$25.00 for the 2017 year, but if the member wants her newsletter mailed, then it will cost them \$5.00 more for the printing and postage. Motioned by Suzette Mattson and seconded by Deb Tilton. Motion passed. Further discussion and motion was brought up by Kay Wilton and amended to be starting in Nov, 2017 for the 2018 year. Seconded by Mary Warden. Further discussion, and all the above will be tabled until closer to 2018 to try and go paperless and raise dues in 2018, not 2017. Motion made by Kay Wilton and seconded by Suzette Mattson.
- * Su Palmer: "Linda's Legacy" Trunk Show will be at Lighthouse Dec., 2017. Wanted to present it to PALS for splitting costs to \$250 per Guild. We would cover half the costs and have the showing at our Christmas meeting and then transport the 10 quilts to Lighthouse Guild for their December meeting the next week. Agreed upon by Board.
- * Toys for Tots will also be at our December meeting.
- * There will be 3 door prizes and Stash Cash at the Oct. meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzette Mattson, Asst. Treasurer