



Quilters Unlimited

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MINUTES March 12 General Meeting

After a program and Show & Tell on house design blocks, a brief business meeting was held. Members had been notified by email that there will be no museum quilt show in 2015 due to leakage problems which will take extensive repairs; the museum is looking forward to hosting us in 2016.

Business cards are available showing the Quilters Unlimited website. These are intended as referrals when we receive inquiries about the guild.

An inquiry has been received from Candy Pugh who would like to purchase a quilt.

A Helping Hands chair is needed. This person would answer questions about quilting, or make referrals for assistance.

A venue for the Sewing Party was discussed. The Community Center in Chaires is available for a nominal rent, or we could rent a space closer to town for a higher rent. Members indicated their preference by a show of hands; the majority chose to meet at Chaires. A date will be scheduled depending on availability of the room.

The Steering Committee will meet on March 26.

The website review has been postponed.

The budget, and the effects of not having the quilt show, was discussed. We depend on the Silent Auction and the Opportunity Quilt for 40% of guild income. Dues do not pay even basic expenses. The budget analysis committee reviewed actual operating expenses and found that operating funds (money in our bank account) are decreasing. The analysis is available on our website under "guild organization". Their conclusion is that we need to bring in more money.

Ways of addressing the shortfall were discussed. We need to reduce expenses. Members who want a paper copy of the newsletter mailed to them were requested to bring a self-addressed stamped envelope. Suggestions for generating revenue included having our own quilt show, either a multi-day show at a rented venue, or a one-time reception or show at the church. A spring opportunity quilt was suggested. Having guild members teach classes was discussed. Members with other suggestions were encouraged to email Karen.

The meeting continued with Show and Tell, and announcements.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Stricklin, Secretary