Quilters Unlimited of Tallahassee Steering Committee Minutes January 16, 2025 LeRoy Collins Library Magnolia Room

Present: Margaret Clark, Kerry Cohen, Ann Gaber, Cheryl Gratt, Marty O'Neill, Darlene Pricher, Janet Taylor.

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm.

A quorum was not reached; therefore, any required voting will be completed by email. The minutes from the November 7, 2024 meeting were presented. Peggy Clark moved to accept; Darlene Pricher seconded. All in favor.

Topics discussed based on the agenda:

- Opportunity quilt 2026 discussion: Whether to machine or hand quilt the hand made and appliqued quilt by Linda O'Sullivan. Wendy Adams donated the kit "Medallion." There is money in the budget for future consideration in Opportunity Quilt construction.
- 2. Philanthropy is flourishing, but a coordinator is still needed for 2025. Discussion was on how fabric will be donated and stored to minimize excess fabric in one home. Logistics are needed to crank out quilt kits, manage fabric storage.
- 3. Three persons are needed for the audit committee.
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Discussion on sales tax, boutique, money move to money market; increase in website fee; insurance is paid.
- 5. Membership: 2025 dues arriving.
- 6. Old business: Security fee is in the budget. We are trying not to need security for the February meeting; library is very booked and under construction for consideration to move our guild meetings there.
- 7. Committee chairpersons: Please check the website for things related to your committee's activities and send changes to Sue Isaac.
- 8. City Hall Update: Janet Taylor spoke of coming zoom meeting with Sam Joslin of COCA for online quilt entry procedures.
- 9. LeMoyne Committee meets January 28. Each quilt gets its own submission.

10. Cheryl Gratt presented the following:

A trunk show by nationally recognized Rita Verroca, for the March meeting. A workshop by Ms Verroca on hand piecing and applique, March 13, 2025. A retreat at Wakulla Springs with Ms Verroca.

Her fee is \$850 with some negotiating, because Ms Verroca would also be contracted by Friendship Star. Final guild cost for the trunk show, workshop and partial travel expenses is estimated at \$600 after workshop income is applied and assuming workshop is fully booked by QU members. Fee for 30 persons registering for the workshop would be \$25 for guild members; \$30 for Friendship Star members; \$35 for the general public.

A kit would be provided for beginner hand piecing and applique.

Janet Taylor motioned to move forward; Peggy Clark seconded. The Steering Committee will finish voting by email. At the end of February, should the 30 persons not be reached, an offer would be made to other area guilds. Classes offered by quilt guild members were discussed.

- 11. Opportunity tickets; silent auction, LeMoyne events further discussed.
- 12. Hospice has requested 6" x 6" purple strip-style blocks be donated for memorygiving to loved-ones, instead of larger quilts. There are 400 beds in the Big Bend and Hospice has requested smaller donated blocks to meet this need.
- 13. Discussion on a storage unit: tabled
- 14. Marty O'Neill suggested a return to name tags to be worn at our meetings for door prize eligibility.
- 15. Policies and Procedures: We are through page 12 in the update. Kerry Cohen will publish what has currently been completed.

Chery Gratt moved; Marty O'Neill seconded; Meeting adjourned at 7:20.