AQUA MEETING JANUARY 15, 2022

Meeting called to order by head steer Susan Sanmann at the Chipeta Golf Course clubhouse. She welcomed the new year with hot drinks and yummy pastries as a thank you for everyone's participation. Susan explained there is a full calendar of events for the year posted on the website.

Terry Lee, Nancy Dobson, and Jan Warren were given notes of appreciation for their long term volunteer activities in the group. Updates were provided on the loss of member Laurie Marks and Tana LaDuke's recovery from a home fire. We had one visitor, Teresa White, who has now joined the group. Welcome Teresa!

Treasures report \$9094.49. Susan reported for treasurer Pam that credits s to our account were for membership and debit of \$500 gift of support to Tana and \$30 reimbursement to Susan for gift cards.. Reminder to pay your 2022 dues and the form is available on our <u>website here</u>.

Terry Lee discussed the upcoming Mancuso shows and explained what the company does and the history of how AQuA got involved. Since the meeting Terry has verified the re-turn in date for the "Colorado" themed show, that was juried in 2012, is <u>March 19th</u> at the AQuA regular meeting. It was scheduled for April but that is too tight a time frame to get them to Greenville, South Carolina.

Janet Wheeler gave the group a detailed look into all the planning that SSQ is doing for their April Mesas to Monuments quilt show. She provided forms and showed the layout in the convention center. There will be a section of the show devoted to art quilts, but it won't be exclusive to only AQuA. Only SSQ members (who may also be AQuA members) can hang quilts. Get all the up-to-date information on the show at <u>SSQ website</u>. You can print the <u>M2M 2022 entry form</u>, which is due by March 9th, for any genre of quilt you are entering in the show. See SSQ website for rules and other entry options including antique quilts for bed-turning.

Thank you to Bonnie Stenger, Marian Velarde and Julia Crocetto for volunteering to be our AQuA committee for the Sunset Slope Quilters (SSQ) show in April. They will help coordinate and seek volunteers for setting up and staffing our booth at the show. In our booth we will also exhibit AQuA only quilts.

Mary Grande explained the next challenge for AQuA. It will be surface design exchange much like the one the QAWS(Quilt Arts of the Western Slope) small group shared at an earlier meeting. The description of the process is attached to these minutes.

Gay Young is the coordinator for SAQA CO for the trunk shows on the Western Slope. She is investigating having one sent here to enjoy as we did the one Sandra Hoefner coordinated several years ago. Thanks Gay!

Mary Grande reported the results of the Covid Compliance for in person workshop Survey Monkey that was emailed to all members in December. 85% of members could/would meet the requirements of vaccination records if a workshop instructor required them. Read on for the disappointing news in that arena.

Workshop coordinator Bev Hart shared the unlikelihood that we will be able to procure an outside person to do an in-person workshop in the foreseeable future with due to the pandemic. Her observation is that most national teachers that are doing in-person workshops are doing so at large venues that handle all the Covid

compliance. She had a teacher from Salt Lake City lined up, who backed out with the latest surge. Bev suggested we rely on the talent within AQuA and do our own workshops to teach each other. Thanks for all your hard work on this Bev; it's not for lack of trying!

Speaking of member workshops, Sharon Braunagel will be sharing her creating with Inktense Block talents with us in March. She brought an amazing painted floral quilt showing what Inktense can do, and Cindy Williams brought her beautiful first try of the process. Bonnie Stenger is coordinating the workshop and collecting the \$10 materials fee. This workshop will be held after the March 19th meeting at Chipeta.

Mary Grande is coordinating a "finishing demo" for the March meeting to provide examples of that special touch to finish your quilts in time for the April turn in. If you use a unique method to complete your art quilts please contact her.

Wendy Bain, juror coordinator, reported that she has secured Ginny Eckley as the juror for Nature Shapes. Ginny has an impressive resume, and we appreciate Wendy finding a juror of her stature to evaluate our work.

Calling all volunteers: Susan reminded the group that we need a secretary and 2 additional steers.

After showing tell the meeting was adjourned. Submitted by Mary Grande

AQUA STEERS JANUARY 5, 2022

Susan Sanmann led the meeting with Pam, Mary, and Julia in attendance via Zoom.

Pam gave the treasurer report.

Have thank you cards for Jan, Nancy and Terry and will bring treats from Einstein's as we did last year,

We discussed the fat quarter surface design challenge which Mary will explain to the members.

Susan reminded us to look for an email from Trisha Rothwell from the Grand Junction convention center with electronic signature to have AQuA quilts hang from January-June.

Reminder that the meeting is at Chipeta and there is no food.

Reviewed the calendar of presentations for the year, much of which Bonnie coordinated with members, and adjustments will be made on the website calendar.

Submitted by Mary Grande