

Blue Ridge Fiber Guild June 17, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Location: ArtsSpace, Watauga County Arts Council

Members & Guests Present: Vicki Skywark, Beth Reavis, Jane Campbell, Pam Kicklighter, Sali Gill-Johnson, Julie Sakowski, Mona Alderson, Betty Womack.

Several members were displaying at the local music & arts festival. Apologies to those who planned to join via zoom, as we were not able to establish a connection.

Business Meeting/Reports

Janeene provided treasurer's report as of May 31, 2023

Beginning Balance: \$ 2,063.82 m

Deposits \$ 124.80 (\$20 memberships, \$72.80 ArtSpace sales, \$21.09 materials, Rewards credit)

Disbursements: \$ 80.24 (\$ 72.80 to members sales for ArtSpace, \$7.44 Office

Ending Balance: \$ 2,108.38

Zoom Discussion: New member Julie Sakowski offered to facilitate future meetings on Zoom.

Nomination of New Slate of Officers- the current officers are in the 2nd and final year which ends December 2023. and positions are available in all roles, President or Co-President(s), Treasurer, Secretary. Members are needed to serve on a nominating committee, which will present a slate of officers by October. The various committees will also be reviewed at that time.

Vicki mentioned that she had been questioned on how guild funds are or can be used to support our groups. Beth proposed an ad hoc committee tasked with networking with related groups, such as the weavers and spinners in both Boone and Cove Creek. This committee would recommend guidelines regarding resources. Pam and Julie offered to serve on this committee.

Donation- Betty made a motion to donate \$100 to WAC for the use of space in 2023. Julie Sakowski seconded, and after a brief discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Meeting and Events Calendar

July 15 guild meeting- Fiber Swap and covered dish at WWCC.

Jones House Show- The take-down for the current show at the Jones House will be June 28, 10-11am. Exhibitors should come and take their work not being exhibited next month at Johnson County.

Johnson County Exhibit- Johnson County Center for the Arts, 127 College St. Mountain City, TN. www.JacoArtCenter.org Mona Alderson will be transporting and installing pieces in this show. Due to space and venue limitations, work will be curated, and not everything submitted may be displayed. The opening reception is July 7, 4-6 PM, and Mona distributed postcards to those present. Take-down is July 29, and pickup in Boone will be August 3, 1-2 PM at ArtsSpace. Thanks Mona Alderson, & Pam Kicklighter for facilitating this exhibit.

Vicki Skywark was approached by Judith Phoenix regarding Women in Agriculture's Appalachian Arts & Foodways Day, scheduled for August 29, 4-7PM on the lawn at the Lois Harrill Center in Boone. The guild is invited to have a table for display and information, and possible demonstrations, with 1-2 people to represent the guild. Vicki will follow up with more information.

Minutes provided by Sali Gill-Johnson 6/19/2023