

Vermont Weavers Guild
April 12, 2025

Meeting attendance

In person: Mary Alice Favro, Julie George, Layne Tharp, Claudia Gibson, Tricia Parmelee, Shannon Cuniff, Tory Rhodin, Shirley Bergert, Leslyn Hall, Anne Pritchard, Bonnie Dore, Marcia Bellar, Mary Schwartz, Dena Hirschak, Susan Rockland, Annette Higby, Kathy Carvey, Susanne Gauthier, Daphne Jackson, Becky Jensen, Amy Stender

By Zoom: Pollyanna Sidel, Janet Ruggles, Jennifer G., Heather Katz, Sherry Klesner, Robin Joy, Jane Bird

Program: Repurposing Heirloom Textiles presented by Nancy Gossell

Business meeting: Claudia Gibson presiding

Minutes: March meeting minutes approved pending corrections

Membership: report was posted by Marty Reid on groups.io

Nominating Committee: Annette Higby announced that Marty has agreed to stand for president and that Marsha Bellar has agreed to take over as membership secretary. Leslyn Hall has joined the nominating committee.

Library Committee: Annette announced addition of a book and a folder of Vav magazines. The guild has joined Complex Weavers and the Canadian Guild of Weavers.

Program Committee: Layne Tharp reported on the three upcoming multiday workshops and workshop fees. During later discussion of setting workshop fees, Shannon Cuniff moved that the program committee should set fees for all workshops to be either budget neutral or budget positive. Shirley Bergert seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Website Committee: Claudia thanked members for responding to a survey about desires for a redesigned website. Dream Host will be the new website host and the website will be re-designed using Word Press. It will have public and members-only sections and a streamlined login. They are also considering a guild historian role and production of new written material or blog for the website.

Treasurer Report: Robin Joy went carefully over the budgets for this year and next; this report was available to members before the meeting. FY 2025 and FY 2026 show deficits so there was discussion around reducing those. Ideas included: more members, more workshop registrations, better tracking of donations, possible programs tapping into guild member experience to reduce expenditures. Shannon noted that a line item for participation in the Winooski Fiber Fair should be added.

Guild Show: Julie George asked for volunteers to sit the show during its run and for snacks for next month's meeting.

NEWS: Claudia will have information of NEWS exhibit and entries at the May meeting. Leslyn reiterated that the guild needs items for our exhibit table.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Carvey, secretary

