

Vermont Weavers Guild

Minutes of the September 8, 2018 meeting

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Business meeting

President MaryAnn Bennett opened the meeting at 11:20am. 26 members were present.

Programming Committee

Dena Hirschak reported. We have a year of interesting workshops planned and the full calendar of workshops is available online. Please sign up early for workshops.

If you need to borrow a loom for a workshop, please see Dena (the guild may have a loom for you to borrow) or make a post on the forum. Another guild member may have a portable loom they can lend out.

Secretary's report

Minutes from the May meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jennifer Kortfelt reported a total of \$10,862.11 in combined accounts.

Membership Report

Debra Maloney-Evans reports that the guild has 48 paid members to date so far this 2018-2019 year, including four new members Daphne Jackson, Shannon Cunniff, Sara Moulton and Jane Woodhouse.

Library Report

Annette Higby has completed her library inventory of books and has posted as AWOL booklist to the forum. If you have one of the books on the list, please bring it back to the library. She still needs to go through periodicals and sample books. The guild has also received two gifts from the HGA, which were passed on to Beth Carroll and Andy Bird for their outstanding work on teaching weaving and helping new weavers.

Website Report

Clair Dunn was not present at the meeting so there was no report. There was some discussion about the new forum. Anyone with questions should contact Clair.

HGA

Jane Bird reported that the next HGA biennial Convergence Conference will be held in July 2020 in Knoxville, TN.

Old Business

Guild Show 2019 volunteers are needed. Diana Mitchell will be posting a signup form for jobs available. We need more input from Julie George and Pam Wilson regarding location. We're considering the T. W.

Wood Gallery in Montpelier or Studio Place Arts in Barre. The theme for the show is "How Does Your Garden Grow?". There will be three judges. Everyone is encouraged to enter something. Requirements are that the piece must be at least 75% woven, made in the last 2 years, and you have to use an original project if you want to be judged.

Reminder that Halcyon Yarn gives a discount of 5% on orders and that money comes back to the guild.

New Business

Susan Rockwell explained that she is a temporary rep for the New England Weavers Seminar (NEWS). The next NEWS conference will be at Smith College in July 11-14, 2019.

The Guild is still looking for volunteers for the Program Committee, the Nominating Committee and to be a NEWS representative.

Announcements

Shelburne Farms will be hosting the Harvest Festival on Sept 15. The guild will be represented there. One more volunteer is needed. A discussion about the tri-fold brochures followed and Mary Ann Bennett will look into getting more printed.

Beth Carroll reported that the Sheep and Wool Festival will be in Tunbridge Sept 29-30. The guild will be represented there. A few more volunteers are needed.

Bahkti Ziek announced a group textiles art show at the Kent Museum in Calais open Friday-Sunday thru Oct 7. She also personally has yarn that she is selling for \$5/lb. Email her if you're interested.

Dena Hirschak announced a 4-shaft floor loom has been donated by Barrie Rosalinda of Randolph. Jane and Andy Bird will be picking it up and bringing it back to the guild.

After a brief show and tell, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.