

Vermont Weavers Guild September 14, 2024

President Claudia Gibson opened the meeting. Layne Tharp introduced the program given by Leslyn Hall and Shirley Bergert who presented and explained our napkin exchange. Each of the 12 various woven napkins was presented, sharing both the weaving process and design. Additionally, Julie George and Susan Rockwell shared napkins from previous guild exchanges. Julie and Susan also described and showed two blankets woven on an 8 foot wide counterbalance loom; this was quite a tale.

Claudia conducted the business meeting. Reports follow.

Membership Secretary: Marty Reid gave the total membership so far: 54 members, 5 of whom are new to the guild.

Library Committee: Annette Higby, guild librarian, presented 3 new books:

Inkle Pattern Directory by Anne Dixon and Madelyn van der Hoogt

Rag Rug Handbook by Janet Meany

Learning to Weave by Deborah Chandler

The library also has an ongoing book sale shelf.

Nominating Committee: this committee presented the nomination of Shannon Cunniff for a one-year term as guild vice president. The nomination passed.

Finance Committee: Treasurer Ron Halterman presented and explained the guild 2024-25 budget. It was moved and seconded to approve the budget. This motion passed unanimously, and the budget will be available on the guild website. After a discussion about insurance coverage, a motion was made, seconded and passed for the finance committee to investigate and then report on liability insurance options.

Bylaws Committee: This committee had composed a document updating and clarifying the guild bylaws. A motion was made by Shannon Cunniff to approve the bylaws, the motion was seconded and the bylaws passed unanimously

Programs Committee: Layne presented this report. The Shelburne Museum textile tour for September 20 is full. The backstrap weaving workshop had only 2 signed up. It has been moved to Sunday October 13 at Studio Arts in Barre from 9:00 to 4:00. A minimum of three must be signed up for it to run. Maximum allowed is 5 people. The minimum sign-up has been met for the Loom Compendium workshop with Liz Moncrieft on November 9, 2024.

Guild Guidelines Committee: Layne presented the guidelines document prepared by this committee. Her report is attached to the minutes.

Tech and Website Group: no presentation

Guild Show, May 2025: Julie George gave an overview of how the show is run and urged anyone and everyone to take part.

NEWS 2025: Information on NEWS will be shared on Groups.io.

Vermont Sheep and Wool Festival: There was a sign-up sheet for volunteers to run the guild booth at this show.

Guild Tables at NEWS: Information on this will be shared on Groups.io.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Carvey, secretary

Attendance, September 14, 2024

In-person:

Kathy Carvey
Shannon Cunniff
Wendy Aarnio
Janet Clark
Jennifer Girouard
Marty Reid
Layne Tharp
Tricia Parmelee
Jane Bird
Andy Bird
Shirley Bergert
Leslyn Hall
Annette Higby
Ron Halterman
Susan Flagg
Daphne Jackson
Julie George
Trudy Otis
Robin Joy
Susan Rockwell
Deidre Goulding
Bonnie Dore
Sue Smith

Claudia Gibson
Pollyanna Sidell
Amy Stender

Zoom:

Becky Jensen
Dena Hirschak
Heather Katz

