

WeGO Fall Board Meeting

Draft Minutes

October 7, 2017

Jacksonville, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10:00 AM in Jacksonville, Oregon. The meeting was hosted by the Saturday Handweavers Guild.

Corporate meeting

Officers present: *Pres.* Marty Lemke; *Vice-pres.* Barbara Wythes; *Secretary* Kathy Nelson; *Treas. and Communications Chair* Annali Cross; *Long Range Planning Education & Workshops Coordinator* : Marlene Lloyd **Absent** : *2018 Traveling Show Coordinator* Linda Davis .

Guild Representatives were present for: Aurora (Carrie Rohn) , Clatsop (LeAnn Meyer) , Central Oregon (Linda Gettmann), Eugene(Shanna Suttner),Columbia Gorge(Kathy O’Hearn?), Humbug Mountain (Barbara Martin), Klamath (Yvette Lowry), Portland (Sue Walsh?), Rogue Valley (Betsy Brauer), Salem (Dorald Stoltz), Saturday Handweavers (Elizabeth White), Umpqua (Corriene Geddes) and Webfoot (Christina Scott). Guilds not represented Columbia, Heritage, and Threadbenders . A quorum was present with 13 of the 16 guilds represented.

Others present: 2021 ANWG conference co-chairs Linda Gettmann and Sue Walsh

Secretary: The minutes of the previous spring meeting were approved to be archived as written.

Treasurer: Annali presented and explained the Statements of Activity and Comparison (2016 -> 2017), current Spreadsheet, and 2018 Budget. The advantages of moving the account to Rivermart Credit Union from Washington Federal, and updating to use Quickbooks online were presented.

A motion was made by Linda G. to change the WeGO account to Rivermart CU and to reduce the number of signers required on checks from 5 to 2. Motion was seconded by Dorald S. and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Kathy N. to add \$650 to Conference disbursements to cover advance 2021 conference expenses. Motion was seconded by Barbara W. and passed by vote.

Corporate meeting adjourned:

Vice Presidents/scholarships Report: Barbara announced the final four grants for this cycle awarded to Aurora, Eugene, Heritage, and Threadbenders guilds. Alternates in corresponding order are: Central Oregon, Salem, Rogue Valley, and Humbug.

2021 ANWG Conference Report: The conference theme “Fiber Connections” was announced, and co-chairs Linda G and Sue W. presented the conference colors, preliminary name tag ideas and weaving fibers. Theresa Rauch will be dyeing hand painted warps in the conference colors for sale, and a contest will be held on their best use. The names of the committee chairs already filled were shared, with the chair positions of Open show, Publicity and Webmaster yet to be filled. Linda and Sue plan to visit all Guilds to provide conference information, solicit class ideas, generate interest, and encourage participation.

Guild Reports: The representatives presented reports of their guild’s activities since the last meeting, and their show and share items. Please see the WeGO website for detailed guild reports.

Education & Workshops: Marlene L. presented a number of options for workshop teachers/ideas for 2018 (Rosalie Nielson, Karen Gelbard, Karen Searle) and 2019 (rigid heddle, saori). Balancing choices that would appeal to beginner weavers as well as those for more experienced weavers was discussed – Rosalie Nielson was a favored choice for 2018.

Traveling show: Deadline for entries for the show to be received is Oct. 31. A poster with show locations and dates is on the WeGO website.

Communications Chair: Annali mentioned the importance of keeping her informed when new guild reps take over – it is up to the outgoing rep to get that information to Annali or Kathy. Also keep Annali apprised of current guild Facebook pages, blogs, websites, Ravelry Groups, instagram, etc. so she can put the links on the WeGO website. Also, send her PICTURES! Note: Guild reports posted on the website are individual for the current year, then become a combined PDF for previous years.

State Fair Report: Carrie and Dorald: This was the 38th year of a fiber arts demonstration booth at the State Fair. Three guilds participated, 38 people entered 107 items (handweaving was the poorest represented). There were mystery \$100 bills! To improve participation ideas were posed: each guild should have a “State Fair Liason” to communicate with Dorald, guilds could incorporate items for fair entries into their challenges, have summer study groups to keep momentum and communication at a time when many guilds don’t meet, and creating guild displays at the Fair exhibit. Registration starts May 15 – looking for felting, spinning, **weaving** entries, as well as demonstrators (free pass and parking).

Sales and Equipment rentals: Marty handed out a summary of information submitted by 3 guilds about how they do their guild sales and equipment rentals.

Election of Officers: Barbara W. presented the slate of nominees for Vice President (Donna Wilson), Treasurer (Annali Cross) and Long Range Planning/Workshop/ Education (Marlene Lloyd) - Dorald moved, and Betsy B. seconded to accept the slate of nominees for 2018/2019 offices, which was accepted.

HGA Rep: Sue W. for Ladella gave information on the benefits of HGA membership, handed out brochures, and reminded us of the HGA Convergence Conference 2018 in Reno, Nev. Registration opens in January. [Complex Weavers will meet in Reno in 2018- same time and place as Convergence].

ANWG Rep: Linda G. for Ladella reported a very nice ANWG Conference last summer in Victoria, B.C. and 9 attended just from Bend. Taking notes for the 2021 conference she commented there were not enough weaving classes, and a conference needs something for everyone – beginning through advanced, rigid heddle, and more. She would like ANWG reps to send the ANWG newsletter to all guild members – post on social media pages, etc. Noted that the ANWG website is being updated and to look there for information on the next ANWG conference which is in Prince George, BC in June of 2019. The next ANWG meeting is in Portland Sat. May 19, Jantzen Beach. Also WeGO has paid its ANWG dues of \$35/year.

The next WeGO meeting will be in Eugene, April 7th, 2018 – Glimakra Warehouse. Klamath Falls will host the fall October 2018 meeting, and Bend the Spring 2019 meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Nelson Date 12/29/2017

WeGO Secretary