

## **WeGO Fall Board Meeting**

### **Draft Minutes**

**October 29, 2016**

**Salem, Oregon**

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10:00 AM in Salem, Oregon. The meeting was hosted by the Salem guild. Carol proposed a reordering of the agenda items.

**Officers present:** *Pres.* Carol Piersee; *Vice-pres.* Barbara Wythes; *Sec.* Darlene Wingfield; *Treas. and Communications Chair* Annali Cross; *Exhibits and State Fair Coordinator* Dorald Stoltz, Missing officers were Kathy Semmes, *Education Coordinator* and Marlene Lloyd, *Long Range Planning Coordinator*.

**Guild Representatives present:** Carrie Rohn (*State Fair Demo and Aurora*), Mary Wonser (*Central*), LeAnn Meyer (*Clatsop*); Linda Frizzell (*Columbia*), Shanna Suttner (*Eugene*), Jo Ann Sala (*Gorge Handweavers*); Rebecca Rae Martin (*Portland*), , Dorald Stoltz (*Salem*), Elizabeth White (*Saturday Handweavers*), and Corienne Geddes (*Umpqua*). Missing representatives were from the Humbug, Klamath, Rogue, and Webfoot guilds. Kim Thompson (*Heritage*) and Cynthia Newman (*Threadbenders*) sent proxies for Darlene Wingfield to vote in their place, so a quorum was present with 12 of the 16 guilds represented.

**Others present:** Linda Davis, *Traveling Show Committee Chair*; Ladella Williams (*ANWG and Complex Weavers rep*), and six members of the Umpqua guild. Mary Wonser introduced Donna Wilson who will be a new rep for Central Oregon.

**Corporate Meeting:** The President called the Annual Corporate Meeting to order. There being no business to come before the corporation, the meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Linda F, seconded by Barbara W.

**Secretary:** The minutes of previous spring meeting were read and approved. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Dorald and seconded by Rebecca.

**Treasurer:** Annali presented the year-to-date Statement of Activity. We have a current loss of \$1,783.15. The Statement of Financial Position showed total assets of \$49,126.77. A motion to accept the reports was made by Barbara W. and seconded by Dorald.

**Scholarships:** The Umpqua representative gave a report of their use of their scholarship.

Four guilds (along with their alternates) were selected to receive scholarships in 2017.

<u>2017 Winner Guild</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Clatsop	Heritage
Rogue	Eugene
Gorge	Aurora
Webfoot	One of the other alternates

The winning guilds need to make proposals to Barbara W. by the end of December for the use of their money.

**Guild Reports:** The representatives presented reports of their guild's activities since the last meeting.

**Education and Workshops:** Kathy sent in a written report which was read by Carol. Jette Vandermeiden is in Oregon now giving workshops. There were very good comments made by some who had attended her workshops. Kathy reminded us that there will not be a WeGO workshop planned for 2017 because of the ANWG conference.

Kathy reported that she had approached teachers in her area about her idea of "Weaving in a Box." The teachers stated that they did not have time for art in their curriculums. Kathy will continue to find a way to integrate weaving programs into schools.

**Traveling Show:** Linda Davis reported that five venues have been arranged for the traveling show: Bend, Maryhurst in Portland, Roseburg, Baker City and Salem. The show will be at each venue for two months except in Salem where it will be exhibited for three months.

Rosalie Nielson will be the juror for the show.

The committee has completed agreements with the venues and prepared a prospectus which is available today. The local guilds will be asked to do the hanging and plan a reception. Marylhurst requires use of their food service for the reception. Take down and transportation will be arranged. There are no charges at the galleries; commissions range from 0% to 30%.

**Communications Coordinator:** Annali has posted pictures of the last exhibit on the website. The Facebook page has more about workshops. Annali discussed that there may be a need in the future for more data storage. She has received requests for classified ads, but it was decided to refer people to the ANWG site.

**State Fair Coordinator:** Dorald reported that 140 items were entered in weaving, spinning and felting categories primarily from four guilds, Central, Aurora, Salem, Eugene.

Carrie reported on the State Fair demonstration. This was the 37<sup>th</sup> year that WeGO has organized demonstrations. Sixty-three individuals demonstrated over all 11 days of the fair volunteering more than 1000 hours.

**HGA Rep:** Margaret Zeps has been appointed the new HGA rep. She discussed that HGA is more than the Convergence Conference. They offer grants for teaching new weavers, provide awards for shows, and have a lending library for guilds to use for programs. Margaret passed out a handout about HGA.

**Bylaw Changes:** Darlene presented a report summarizing the proposed changes to the bylaws.

1. Clarifies officer and Coordinator positions to our current usage. A standing committee is created for a traveling show. Also adds the possibility of an ad hoc committee for other exhibits.
2. Deletes references to a newsletter and makes the newsletter editor the Communications Coordinator. That position will oversee the website and dissemination of other information. The website will be the official means of exchange of information.
3. Makes the Exhibits and State Fair Coordinator position into a State Fair Coordinator only. A Standing Committee is created for traveling shows that will report to the President and the Board of Director.

**Motion 16-2: Dorald moved to accept the new Bylaw Changes. Barbara W. seconded. Motion passed.**

**Long Range Planning:** The major topic for discussion was for WeGO to sponsor the 2021 ANWG conference. There were reports from the guild reps that their guilds were positive about supporting the Conference. Carol reported that there may be someone willing to serve as chair, but that it is not yet confirmed.

**Motion 16-3: A motion was made that WeGO would apply to host the 2021 ANWG Conference. Motion passed.**

Marlene Lloyd has spoken to Willamette University in Salem about holding the conference there. Other places have been explored, but it is felt Willamette offers the best opportunity. We were pleased with them in 2011. Carol explained that she and Marlene have spoken about tentative dates. Carol presented a 2021 calendar. After some discussion it was decided that July 11<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was the best choice. This will be confirmed with Willamette.

Marlene had previously sent out two documents regarding planning for the conference – a sign-up sheet for conference committee volunteers and a detailed list of planning committee positions and responsibilities. The guild reps are asked to circulate these items to their members and provide names of interested people to Marlene.

**ANWG Report:** Ladella attended the AGM meeting in June in Victoria. There was a tour of facilities for the conference. Registration will begin in January. A new feature is blog interviews with instructors that is available on the website.

**Election of Officers:** There is a full slate of candidates for offices.

President	Marty Lemke
Secretary	Kathy Nelson
Communications Coordinator	Annali Cross
State Fair Coordinator	Dorald Stoltz

There were no further nominations from the floor. It was moved by Linda F. to accept the list of officers. Seconded by Rebecca. Motion passed.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Portland in the Spring (possibly April 8<sup>th</sup>)

Saturday/Rogue in the Fall (early October)

The Executive meeting is tentative scheduled for Feb 4<sup>th</sup> in Salem.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:41.

Respectfully submitted,

These minutes were approved on \_\_\_\_\_,  
2017 at the Spring WeGO Board Meeting

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Darlene Wingfield      Date

WeGO Secretary

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