

WeGO Spring Board Meeting

Draft Minutes

April 8, 2017

Portland, Oregon

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

Officers present: *Pres.* Marty Lemke; *Vice-pres.* Barbara Wythes; *Secretary* Kathy Nelson; *Treas. and Communications Chair* Annali Cross; **Absent:** *Education & Workshops Coordinator* Kathy Semmes; *Exhibits and State Fair Coordinator* Dorald Stoltz; and *Long Range Planning Chair* Marlene Lloyd.

Guild Representatives present: Carrie Rohn (*State Fair Demo and Aurora*), Donna Wilson (*Central Oregon*), Leanne Meyer (*Clatsop*), Shanna Suttner (*Eugene*), Jo Ann Sala (*Gorge Handweavers*), Kim Thompson (*Heritage Textile*), Barbara Martin (*Humbug*), Kathy Nelson -sub (*Klamath*), Rebecca Rae Martin (*Portland*), Betsy Brauer (*Rogue Valley*), Penny Unverzagt (*Salem*), Elizabeth White (*Saturday Handweavers*, *Cynthia Newman (Threadbenders)*). Missing representatives were from the Columbia, Umpqua, and Webfoot guilds. A quorum was present with 13 of the 16 guilds represented.

Others present: Ladella Williams (*ANWG rep and Complex Weavers rep*), and six members of the Portland guild, including former guild rep Eva Doughtet (SP?), and Jodi Weber – PHG President, as well as special guests Linda Gettmann and Sue Walsh

Secretary: The minutes of the previous fall meeting were approved.

Treasurer: Annali presented the final financial reports for 2016, (income and expenses, and financial position) , as well as an analysis of projections vs. actual spending from the last WeGO sponsored ANWG Conference to date.

Vice Presidents/scholarships Report: Barbara stated the Grant Report was in from Humbug on their Suzie Liles Linen and Lace Workshop, Rogue Valley and Gorge reports will be coming later.

2021 Conference: Marty introduced special guests Linda Gettmann and Sue Walsh who have agreed to co-chair the conference, and who shared a comprehensive list of positions and duties for guild reps to take back to their members for ways to help make a great conference in Salem in 2021. Linda mentioned to Marlene Lloyd that the date chosen was July 11-18, 2021. Guilds should please consider what they can contribute to the goodie bags.

Guild Reports: The representatives presented reports of their guilds' activities since the last meeting. After lunch guilds “showed and told about ” their items from display. Please see the WeGO website for detailed guild reports – some with pictures!

Education & Workshops: Kathy Semmes report for spring of 2017 is on the WeGO website. No travel workshops in 2017 (ANWG conference)– send ideas for 2018 - 2020 to Kathy. 2018 is Convergence in Reno and Traveling show – so maybe 2019 is a good “next year” for workshops? Or mini scholarships for 2018?

Traveling show: Linda D. will soon send out information to put in our newsletters re: entries. See also the WeGO website for the latest info.

Communications Chair: Annali reported that the website is now a three year document for reports, photos of events, etc. The Facebook page is not as current - Dorald S. is looking into “people with expertise or bandwidth” to manage it.

Exhibits and State Fair Coordinator: fair in Salem Aug 25 – Sept 4. Entries start May 15 – looking for felting, spinning, weaving entries, as well as demonstrators (free pass and parking), also VP and Workshop coordinator.... Website is orestatefair.

Nominating Committee: Elizabeth White and Barbara Wythes will be seeking nominees for upcoming elections of WeGO officer vacancies . Donna Wilson agreed to serve on the nominating committee with Barbara and Elizabeth.

ANWG Rep: Ladella reported 525 have registered for the ANWG Conference in Victoria in June 2016. Make ferry reservations ASAP. Complex Weavers will meet in Reno in 2018- same time and place as Convergence.

HGA Rep: Margaret Zeps – Convergence 2018 is in Reno, Nevada, July 5-12 – Registration will be in January – great venue and on-site options – see HGA website for more details.

The next meeting will be in the Rogue Valley, October 7th, 2017 - Medford Library. Eugene will host the Spring 2018 meeting at the Glimakra facility after Easter, and Klamath Falls the October 2018 meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 1:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Nelson Date 5/3/2017

WeGO Secretary