



Minutes of Meeting of The Leadership Team

held at 6:30 pm on Thursday 25 July. 2024,
at The Robin Hood Hotel, Portrush Road, Norwood SA

Chris welcomed everyone and thanked Heather for standing in for her and everybody who helped at FoQ.

1 PRESENT

Peg Argent, Michael Barton, Ann Ewer, Heather Ford, Rosanne Fuller, Jan Goulter, Shez Hobbs, Denise Johnston, Gaylene Morgan, Chris O'Brien, Ros Wyatt

In Attendance: Bev McBride

2 APOLOGIES: Jackie Harris, Wendy Hunt, Keith Holland, Margaret Hurrell, Cindy Massey, Kathleen Rossini, Julie Symons, Sue Knuckey, Kerryn Brand, Jill Radcliffe

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Bev would like it noted in Item 7.5 the contingencies in place for any cancellations does not include exceptional cancellations of large numbers.

Subject to this being noted it was agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 27 June 2024, be approved.

Moved: Heather Ford

Seconded: Shez Hobbs

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5 GUILD BUSINESS – LEADERSHIP TEAM

5.1 Finance (Keith/Jan)

June financials were emailed on 2nd July. No questions or queries were received regarding these financials.

It was queried if the deposit of a cheque for \$500 with no notation had been rectified. Jan advised it had and was from the Shared Stitches of Mannum who had been paid twice for a grant they received.

5.2 Groups Liaison (Rosanne)

A total of 29 replies have now been received to the survey. Another newsletter has been sent and expecting more replies. The Riverton exhibition is being held on 10th and 11th August and the Cleve exhibition is being held on 12th to 16th August and Rosanne asked if anyone is interested in going. Jan advised she will attend The Port Augusta Exhibition.

5.3 Library (Michael)

An audit was done on 4th July at Burnside. Books have been culled and being updated with new ones. A sale of the culled books will be held later in the year or held over for Country Forum. Bev to follow up if QE would be interested in having any to sell.

Bev

5.4 Meetings General (Raffle – Shez / Welcome – Peg / Guest Speaker –)

As Wendy will be away for the August meeting Peg will stand in.

It was confirmed that a representative from the RAA will be guest speaker at the next meeting.

A question was raised regarding free entry tickets for family and friends of Marcia Watts for the September meeting. It was discussed:

- it would depend on how many would attend;
- a special price be agreed on;
- 5 free tickets, any more attending to pay \$5;
- If they are non members they are entitled to first meeting being free;

Di to be asked to email Fiona Stewart, the guest speaker speaking on Marcia's quilts, for a list of family and friends who will be attending and given to Peg.

Heather has been advised there is mould in the kitchen area and one of the toilets adjacent to the dining area. Chris to advise at the meeting to use the other toilets off the entrance corridor.

The doors on the PA cupboard need attention. Heather to follow up both concerns with Burnside.
Heather

5.5 Membership (Kathy)

Individuals:

Total members 538 made up of:

Junior – 4
Student – 1
Life Members – 35
Associate members – 5
Member Shops – 33
Individuals – 460 (including 22 new members from Festival of Quilts)

Groups:

Total groups 89 which have approximately 1,800 members made up of:

City – 37
Country – 90

5.6 Merchandise (Shez)

SA Quilters Lanyards: It was discussed whether to have SAQ lanyards made up for sale. Heather has done some research. To have them in dark blue they need to be 20 mm wide at an approx. cost of \$1.20-\$1.50. This price does not include a safety catch. After discussion it was agreed to hold this over and consider it again at a later date. Shez advised sale of the new name badges is very slow.

Ann advised all the quilt bags were sold at FoQ and the money has been given to Jan.

5.7 President (Chris)

5.8 Secretariat (Gaylene)

5.9 Shops Liaison (Peggy)

There have been some changes to shops. Margaret Doecke, Eudunda, has had to close her shop at short notice. Peg to email Kathy with her new phone number.
Peg

Claire Acres at Robe is closing.

Jeanie McCarroll, Kookaburra Quilts from Burra, has agreed to be the shop for the December meeting.

Mid to late September, after QE, the shops list will be looked at for 2025. Two shops to be approached for Country Forum.

The Manager of Hobby Sew is a member, paid for by the owner but is in the Manager's name. As this is not a franchised business, and it is the policy of SAQ, it was agreed that the owner is to be the member. An offer to be offered to the owner to transfer this membership to him or for him to take another membership in his name. Kathy, as membership secretary, to follow this up.

Kathy

5.10 Meetings Team (Wendy)

Next meeting to be held on 22nd August.

5.11 Workshops (Ros)

There are now 11 for the Bronwyn Cant's workshop – will either break even or a small loss.

Good numbers for Jemima Flendt's workshop – she will take up to 20 participants.

Sue Knuckey's workshop has 4 at this time.

Numbers are low for Suzanne Gummow's workshop but is not until November.

A meeting to be scheduled to start comprising a list for 2025.

5.12 Events (Cindy/Wendy)

Mystery Bus Trip: Parking has been organised at Adelaide West Uniting Church for a gold coin donation.

5.13 Assets Register (Gaylene)

6 GUILD BUSINESS – GENERAL

6.1 Frame Hire (Angela)

Chris advised she has been approached for the hire of the portable frames. She advised these frames are not available for hire.

6.2 Insurance (Margaret)

6.3 Judging Panel (Jill Christian)

The three judges at FoQ were Heather Ford, Julie Haddrick, and the interstate Judge, Julie Adamson were thanked for their contribution.

6.4 Appraisal Panel (Heather)

Next appraisal day is on Friday, 2nd August, 13 quilts to be appraised.

Heather advised free appraisals are available for first prize winners at FoQ, this is not being taken up. Five quilts being appraised at the next appraisal have taken up this offer. It was advised they do not have to be used within 12 months.

6.5 Website Management (Kathy)

6.6 I-Patch (Kathy)

Chris has advised Ally that posters for upcoming workshops are to go in I-Patch every month.

6.7 Modern Mix Quilters (Jill R)

Heather has been asked by Modern Mix to approach the Unley Council to extend their meeting time in October to 9 pm to hold an internet workshop. The Council have agreed to this at an extra

cost of \$87.50. It was proposed that SAQ pay the extra fee. It was also proposed Modern Mix put in a written request to the Leadership Team for funds/assistance for this workshop. Heather to contact Jill regarding this application. **Heather**

6.8 Patron

Ann advised the joint patrons were genuinely interested in the exhibition and everyone was put at ease straight away. The Governor mentioned she is happy to attend functions and applications to be received in plenty of time to put in her calendar.

6.9 Royal Adelaide Show Contract (Heather)

Ann advised the showgrounds were not at all co-operative for FoQ. Brett [Craft Alive] stepped in and helped with some issues at his expense.

6.10 Bernina Contract

No contract has been entered into at this stage. Ann spoke with the Bernina representative who intimated that due to the market in SA prizes may be less in 2025.

7 GUILD PROJECTS:

7.1 Australasian Quilt Convention (Chris)

7.2 Quilt Australia (Chris)

Chris read out an email received from Quilt NSW with a proposal that the Best of Australia Award be reinstated. The cost factor and insurance issues were discussed. Does our current insurance policy cover this? Bernina previously funded the insurance component. Chris is happy to send her quilt. Ann proposed SAQ fund the postage and insurance. Seconded by Peg. Ann to follow up the insurance issue. **Ann**

It was agreed SAQ is happy to participate in the Best of Australia Award. Chris to respond to Quilt NSW email.

7.3 Dare to Differ (Sue Knuckey) To be held 2025.

Heather has spoken and emailed the sponsor and asked for details of the machine being donated and any advertising materials. These details to be forwarded direct to Sue.

7.4 Festival of Quilts (Ann Ewer)

FoQ will make a profit this year, more funds and the raffle proceeds are still to come in. Any excess will be donated to Kick Start for Kids. The surplus is a result of the raffle bringing in more funds, one truck was not used and the USB sticks were a huge success, 79 sold to date. Thank you letters will be sent out.

Half a table will be set up at the next meeting for the sale of the USB sticks.

The Viewer's Choice winner will be announced at the next meeting. Ann advised the winning entrant will be at the meeting, the prize is donated by Kornacraft who will be the shop at the meeting, Kim will present the prize.

The raffle quilt will be drawn at the meeting.

AMQF will be held on 28th to 30th March 2025 at the showgrounds. SAQ will have a small involvement.

7.5 Quilt Encounter (Kerryn)

Bev advised there are two spaces available for 3 day workshops, all other classes are full.

There have been 166 registrations, 85 from SA, 1 from New Zealand and the rest from all over Australia. There have been a couple of cancellations.

Only 5 participants did not get their first choice.

Planned and spoken with Kathy regarding I-Patch advertising and any class vacancies. The offer of any vacancies will be day classes and will be first come first served, based on the mail out schedule for I-Patch. Bev to follow up with Kathy on the sending out of I-Patch.

For numbers the cut off date will be the end of August.

More participants have elected for shorter stays this year. The Grand have not increased their price.

The Tiger Team have donated fabric.

Chris spoke with Kerryn regarding last year's overseas tutor attending QE. This tutor arranged to do workshops in other states whilst in Australia. This was discussed at the QA zoom meeting in July and it was agreed it is QA policy that any overseas tutor who does workshops in their state share their international airfare. The other State Guilds supported to keep this policy. Victoria advised they have separate groups who organised these workshops and it is unclear if they knew of this policy.

QE was \$700 out of pocket to cover this travel expense. Chris advised she is happy to take it further but after discussion it was agreed not to pursue the matter any further.

7.6 Country Forum (Rosanne) To be held in October 2025

A committee to be set up.,

7.7 Scholarships and Grants (Heather)

7.8 Quilts of Love (After Dark Quilters – Jill Clausen)

7.9 SA Quilters: Comfort Quilts

7.10 Flinders Kids (Chris O'Brien)

Chris advised Heather went to Murray Bridge and picked up a further 67 quilts from Margie Mott.

39 of these have been given to Comfort Quilts for distribution;

3 Isolette covers – Quilts of Love

And the rest to Flinders Kids.

A thank you card to be sent to Margie – Heather to provide address

Heather/Gaylene

8 COMMUNICATIONS (Kathy)

8.1 Communications Team

8.2 Mail In

Letter of thanks from Government House for condolence card.

Several magazines from other State Guilds. Michael advised they go in the library and are kept for 3 months.

8.3 Website / Facebook / Instagram / You Tube

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

\$50 deposit to be paid for the Leadership Retreat by 31st July

MEETING CLOSED 8.35 pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 29th August 2024 at The Robin Hood Hotel [5.30 pm Dinner – 6.30 pm Meeting]

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President

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Date