

Weaver's West General Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Mary Wilder at 9:33 in Room 5, Kuentz Recreation Center.

A Quorum was established.

The agenda was adopted.

Angela Buxton moved that the minutes of the December 17 meeting be approved. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

Announcements

The following new members were recognized:

- Barbara Young
- Colleen Davies
- Joe Davies
- Linda Jagers
- Karen O'Connor

Officer Reports

Co-Presidents

Mary Wilder reported:

- Gentle reminder that the Studio is a fragrance free zone.
- The TV in the classroom is now working with the laptop. Thanks to Pam Chumbley for getting an updated HDMI cord.
- The USB is working on the TV in Room 1. We now need to get updated pictures for it.
- Unfortunately, the unit that will be provided by the Rec Centers for the computerized sign-in is still on back order. We have a request for them to put the needed software on the old laptop which is in the classroom which will free up the newer laptop for use in the classroom as well as be available for member use, such as using the Fiberworks program.
- Bob's Variety has requested that each member sign their discount card when they receive it and that it is not be shared or given away.

Vice President's Report

Kathy Ingles reported:

- Alie Conrad-Lake is picking up a donated desktop computer from the Computer Club as our office computer could not be fixed.

- On Friday January 14, there will be a Stash Sale that starts at 9. There was a special donation of large cones of fiber for which a lottery will be held to purchase a cone, limit of one; any remaining cones will be placed into the stash sale at 11.

Treasurers Report

Melanie Drake reported:

- Balances \$4800 in the checking account and \$3300 in savings.
- Membership renewal is in progress

Committee Reports

Communications

Mary Jones reported:

- When members get an email from Weavers West Communications, the message is actually from a board member or committee chair. The bottom of the email contains the email address of the correct person to reply to.

Education Committee

Carol Byrne reported:

- On Wednesday, February 2, Deborah Jarchow, renowned weaving expert and instructor, will join us at Weaver's West Guild for a three day class on Playing With Pick Up on a Rigid Heddle Loom. Most who have taken Weaving I have experienced Deborah's teaching skills in her videos. Don't miss this chance to expand your Rigid Heddle weaving skills. There are still a few spots left in this class, so sign up today.
- There may be one spot left in Pam Chumbley's class on **Circle Weaving** which is being offered on Wednesday, January 12 from 1-4.
- Bonnie Benson and Melanie Drake are teaching a class on weaving a **Mobius Shawl** beginning on January 12.
- Marcia Steil and Dagmar Weissenborn are teaching **Tapestry Weaving** beginning on February 7.
- The January **Weaving I**, learning to weave on a rigid heddle loom class is underway. The next class, a virtual class, is being offered beginning on March 7.
- **Weaving II**, learning to weave on a table top loom, is being offered in February beginning on February 8.
- If you are interested in taking Weaving I or Weaving II, please be sure that you sign up on the Waiting List as this helps us in planning to offer these classes as often as needed.

- Complete information on all of these classes is posted in the studio and included in the binder with the sign-up sheet.
- Please take a look at the espadrilles displayed in the Yarn Store and constructed by Pat O'Neill from hand woven fabric. Pat is willing to teach a workshop on this technique, but mentioned that the cost of the soles and materials is around \$40. Please let the Education Committee know if this is something that you would like to learn to do.

Publicity/Newsletter

Cynthia Geyer Goering reported:

- Cynthia is requesting articles from all members. Jan 25 is the deadline to submit.
- Members are encouraged to take photos of classes you teach and send to Cynthia. She will send to local papers.
- Cynthia is also in need of pictures of the holiday party.
- A member requested the recipe for cinnamon roll ups at the party. If received, it will be published in the newsletter.
- New members are urged to send Cynthia background information for publication.

Monitoring

Barbara Colvin reported:

- A reminder that four monitor credits are required to take a class or use a loom. New members can count scheduled future times. Use the sign up sheet in the studio.
- Rules and guidelines were reviewed. Barbara explained the new excel sheet now being used to report the hours each member has earned.
- Use the back door signing form when you lock the back door. There are three places to lock. Problems with locking the door should be reported immediately to the Keuntz front desk.
- The Weavers West by- laws require two monitor credits to renew your membership. Four are required if you wish to take a class or use a loom.
- The TV must be turned off when closing the studio. Fans in studio 2 and the classroom require switching off on the wall switch.

Unfinished Business

- Regarding the March 4-5 class presented by Deborah Jarkow, Carol Byrne reports the cost is \$1400 for 2 days. She is tentatively scheduled for another two days in April to teach double heddle. A feasibility study is needed to determine how many would sign up to be cost effective. We can include weavers outside our

community and still operate within the Rec Center rules if we limit the percentage of those students.

New Business

- The Board has approved allowing three Inkle Looms to be available for loan for a period of one month for home use, two right handed (R3 and R7) and one left-handed (L5). There will be a \$50 deposit and a replacement cost of \$100 if necessary. There is a loan agreement that must be signed such as for the Rigid Heddle looms.
- Sue Fitzimmons suggested taking some table looms, setting them up, and inviting community members to come in and weave a bit, to attract new members. The finished project would be donated to charity. The Community Outreach committee will explore this idea.

For the Good of the Order

- Gloria Jacob's husband died the 2nd. Many of us will want to send condolence cards.
- The fireside loom beater bar has been replaced with a maple one which does not match the loom's cherry finish. While it was suggested that it be stained to match the loom, it was pointed out that it's hard to stain maple and replacing it with a less sturdy cherry one risks it cracking. No decision was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 am.

Submitted

Marcia Steil