

Weaver's West General Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Mary Wilder at 9:35 in Room 5, Kuentz Recreation Center

A Quorum was established.

The agenda was adopted.

The minutes of the September meeting were approved.

Announcements

- Recognition of new members: Barb Baldwin, Kathy Leathers, and Vickie Arnett introduced themselves.
- The Fall Gathering will be Friday November 4 from 5-7 at the Kuentz Courtyard. Further details will be coming.
- The Christmas Luncheon will be Friday December 2 at Chef Peter's Bistro at 11:00. The general meeting will be at the luncheon.

Officer Reports

Co-Presidents:

PRESIDENTS' REPORT – Mary Wilder reported:

- By Laws review and update meeting with the Rec Center Manager, Kasey Huhta: still waiting for the meeting to be scheduled; possibly by the end of this month but may not be until Nov or December. Following that, our Operating Procedures will be updated.
- Members were reminded to remember to check on who else is in the studio before leaving. Do not assume that there is someone else there. There must be two members there for the studio to be open. If there is no monitor, the last people out must make sure the studio is properly closed (all doors locked, fans off, window and yarn store lights off, radio off, etc) and the key returned to the Pool Monitor desk.
- There are 2 Kromski sley hooks (hook on one end and wire on the other) missing. (We should have the three that came with the looms when purchased; we only have 1) If anyone inadvertently has one, please return it to the sley hook container in the Rigid Heddle area. The Kromski RH looms need the wire end to sley the holes in the Kromski 10 and 12 dent heddles. Cost to replace is \$20 each.

Vice President:

Kathy Ingles reported

- The 11 dent, 28" reed for floor looms has arrived. Useful for dish towels. \$119 including shipping.

Treasurer's Report:

Melanie Drake reported:

- Bank balances: Checking \$6,495.73, Savings \$4,857.73

Members at Large:

Kay Archer reported:

- Orientation for new and prospective guild members will be scheduled.

Secretary:

Marcia Steil reported:

- The Kuentz clubs open house on October 5 was well attended and visitors were interested and engaged. 62 visitors toured the studio.

Committee Reports

Windows

Mary reported:

- Window redecorating begins Saturday. Weavers who have items currently in the windows may begin picking up those items this week.

Nominating Committee

Pam Lake reported:

- Officers for next year will be as follows:
 - Co-Presidents: Pat Conway and Pat O'Neill
 - Vice President: Kathy Ingles
 - Treasurer: Alie Conrad-Lake
 - Assistant Treasurer: Kathy Michels
 - Secretary: Marilyn Tschetter
 - Members At Large: Kay Archer and Marilyn Haas-Haserman
- Voting will occur at the November meeting.

The membership thanks the committee for their hard work: Pam Lake, Kathy Michels, and Diane Conery.

Education Committee:

Mary Wilder reported for Carol Byrne and Angela Buxton-Ball

- On Wednesday, October 19 from 9 AM to 4 PM, Marilyn Hass-Haseman will teach students to weave a scarf on a Triangle Loom. If you have never woven on one of our Triangle Looms, this is the class that will expand your arsenal of weaving techniques. Triangle weaving is a good way to use that one ball of beautiful yarn languishing in your stash, to create a lovely scarf. These scarves warp and weave quickly and they make great Christmas gifts.

- The first “Bee in the Know” of the season will highlight Kumihimo. Eva Weisberg, an accomplished instructor of this braiding technique, and a member of the Sun City West Beaders, will join us at 1 PM on Tuesday, October 25 in the WWG classroom. She will share examples of the many techniques and types of braids that can be made using the Kumihimo process. Kumihimo braids make beautiful enhancements and accessories for your handwovens. These, too, make great Christmas gifts.
- On Wednesday, November 2, Deborah Jarchow, renowned rigid heddle weaving expert and instructor, will join us at Weaver’s West Guild for a one day workshop on learning how to use the pick-up stick technique to create the Pinwheel pattern. This versatile pattern can be used to enhance a plain weave pattern on the ends or to create an interesting overall pattern. 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. Yet another idea for holiday gift giving.
- **Weaving I**, learning to weave on a rigid heddle loom, will be offered starting on November 8 followed by a December Class starting on December 3. This class is intended for new members anxious to start weaving. It is also appropriate for accomplished weavers experienced on table top and floor looms who would like to expand your weaving abilities to include the simplicity of weaving on a Rigid Heddle Loom. This class is open to all Weavers West Guild members.
- **Weaving II**, learning to weave on a table top loom, is not currently scheduled, but based on demand will be offered in the near future.
- Members interested in taking Weaving I or Weaving II, should sign up on the waiting list as this helps in planning to offer these classes as often as needed.
- Looking forward to 2023, Rosalie Neilson, nationally acclaimed Rep Weaving instructor will join us at Weavers West Guild to teach “It’s In the Warp: Color and Design in Warp-Faced Rep”. This will be a 3-day Workshop held on January 11, 12 and 13 from 9 AM to 4 PM with a break for lunch. This class is limited to 16 students.
- Complete information on all of these classes is posted in the studio and included in the binder with the sign-up sheet.

Federation

Esther Federman reported:

- Esther and Phyl Cipolla have been teaching weaving at local schools.
- Our members aren't getting emails from the Federation. Discussion followed about correcting this.
- The IWC Intermountain Weaving Conference is being held next summer. We will receive details from Esther. July 27-30, 2023 in Logan Utah.

- A course in the Theo Moorman Inlay Technique is being offered by the Telerana Fiber Arts Guild. It is an 18 Hour Virtual class to be held on Friday November 11, Saturday November 12, and Tuesday November 15, 2022 from 10 AM to 4 PM MST each day with a 1.5 to 2 hour break. It will be recorded and you will have 30 days to access it.

The Telerana Fiber Arts Guild has offered other guilds the opportunity to participate in this interesting workshop. The workshop is available virtually.

- An interim secretary is needed.
- The Federation website is being improved. azfed.org
- Education grants are starting again. \$500 for the guild and a second one for individuals in varying amounts. Submit grant requests to the Federation.
- The Federation Newsletter is being re-done.

Library:

Mary reported for Diane:

- Digital copies of Handwoven are available but not to individuals. Diane can print individual articles upon request.

Sunshine:

Mary reported:

- Members were asked to let Bobbye know of anyone needing a get well or other type of card. "If you are unable for some reason to make contact with Bobbye, please let a board member know of the need."

Unfinished Business

The food bank items collected in the studio. Sue Fitzsimmons volunteered to donate them to a food drive being held by the Boomers.

For the Good of the Order

- A member suggested a bell or buzzer for door so members working in the back of the studio would know when someone enters the studio. No decision was made.
- November 11 is the date for the craft show in the parking lot near the Safeway grocery store.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Submitted

Marcia Steil