## WEAVERS WEST GUILD

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## General Meeting April 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

The agenda was adopted as posted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as posted.

Officer Reports:

President: Pat Conway reported to the membership the decision the Board made at the last Board meeting to award Karen Vincent and Paula Dean two monitor credits for the many hours they have spent on bringing the looms to standard. They have covered all the reeds with new tape in addition to other loom repairs.

Pat also reported Board action of having the rigid heddle looms and accessories purchased from Deborah Jarchow come out of the General Fund rather than the Education budget. The amount of the purchase was \$1134.75. Karol Woodbury made a motion that the funds to purchase the looms come out of the General Fund. The membership approved without dissent.

Pat O'Neill reported on research she had done contacting other clubs about Sign Up Genius. Members discussed the pros and cons of the program for keeping track of monitoring.

Angela Buxton made a motion to table further discussion of Sign Up Genius until the monitor chairperson could be consulted and until the fall meeting. It was seconded and approved.

Vice President:

Kathy Ingles thanked all who participated in the Loom Restoration Day on March 25.

She also gave details on new looms that had been acquired by donation that will be listed for sale on our Marketplace. They included a 23 inch 8 shaft Woolhouse, a Baby Mac 24 inch 10 treadle 8 harness floor loom, a warping board, a Kromski 16 inch, and the 2 Crickets that have yet to sell.

She also reported that a small bench for a Baby Wolf was purchased for \$50.

Treasurer:

Alie Conrad- Lake reported \$5075.87 in savings and \$3662.03 in checking. She also informed the membership the CR7 report had be filed with the Recreation Center. She requested members use the reimbursement form and attach receipts to be reimbursed for items purchased for the Guild.

She also showed the membership the new letterhead that was designed so the bank will be able to transition to new treasurers without delay.

Committee Reports:

Community Services:

Pat Conway reported she was able to contact the Valley View Food Bank and bring canned goods that had been donated and were in the Guild room to the Food Bank. The Food Bank is open Mondays 9-1. Donations can be deposited in the studio and Pat will deliver them each Monday. The Food Bank requested canned goods and non- perishable items with no outdated expiration dates.

Education: Kathleen Bloechl reiterated how the purchase of the looms from Deborah Jarchow will be advantageous to have all looms for teaching be the same.

Angela Buxton reported that the current 5 half days are not adequate for teaching Weaving 2 and the curriculum will be adjusted to 6 half days. She informed the group that she can teach only 2 weaving 2 classes each year and other members are needed to teach. The curriculum is available to follow. Weaving 3 curriculum is still being developed. Members who have completed Weaving 2 may use the floor looms without having the Weaving 3 class. They may ask members for assistance or to be a mentor.

Carol Byrne reported she applied for and was granted a \$500 grant from the Arizona Federation of Weavers to be used for guest speakers and instructors next year. She announced the Federation also has grants available to individuals for such things as attendance at Convergence.

Carol is looking for nominations by members for instructors for next year and would like member input on classes they have an interest in.

She also is interested in having an ice dying workshop to be held outdoors at her home. Interested members need to contact her.

She informed the membership of the Federation sponsored Conference to be held in April of 2024 at Camp Verde. There will be classes and vendors. More details will be coming.

Library: Diane Conery reported that the book <u>Weave Knit Wear</u> is missing and asked members to look at home. A replacement copy has been purchased for \$50.

Diane also reported that she updates the library inventory once a year, but newly acquired books are on a cover sheet.

Looms: Karen Vincent thanked all who participated in the Loom Restoration Day. She reported that Jake Kluch is replacing straps on the Macombers Bolts and washers have been replaced on many looms. Members are requested to fill out a work order if there are things amiss with a loom.

There was a suggestion to have a workday to get all the heddles in the right direction and one is planned for the fall.

Newsletter: Marianne Culligan said the newsletter will be going out next week. She also asked members to consider as they travel in the summer to snap pictures of shops and submit photo and a short narrative about the shop. Cynthia Goering also requested a business card for the yarn shop.

Nominating Committee: The nominating committee of Jan Cobb, Carol Price, and Barbara Wood were thanked for their service.

Special events: Sharon Morken reported on the spring luncheon and thanked all for donating socks and shoes for the firemen to distribute to an elementary school. She thanked Sherry Gower for making the favors.

Spinners: Janelle Kluch and Marilyn Tschetter reported the spinning bee held Saturday April 1 was a success with 17 people attending. A fall spinning bee will be hosted by the Sun City Spinners as the result of members having a good time.

Summer Weaving: Bonnie Benson and Cynthia Goering are co-chairing the summer weaving program. The outlined some ideas they have for study groups this summer. .No schedule has been set.

Yarn Store: Cynthia Geyer-Goering and Karol Woodbury said that over \$900 in special orders had been placed and the order should be delivered in the next day or so. Cynthia outlined some new items being carried in the store. Karol said that a Herrschners order will be going in next week and many cotton yarns are on sale.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Marilyn Tschetter

Secretary