Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild Gualala Arts Building September 15, 2011

Meeting called to order at 12:58 by President Lola DeLongoria.

Guest lecturer presentation was before the business meeting. Fifty guild members and guests were in attendance for the guest lecture.

Guild member, Chris Smith introduced Guest Lecturer, Hollis Chatelain. Ms. Chatelain's excellent presentation was titled "The Emotion of Color and How It Affects Activism in Art".

After a short break the meeting was again called to order at 2:19 by Guild President DeLongoria who welcomed everyone to the business meeting. Estimated 38 members present for the guild mtg.

No guests at the business meeting

Minutes of the June 17, 2011, meeting. Motion was made by Gail Spencer to accept the minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Joyce Gaudet. Membership voted to approve and accept the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Kalynn Oleson: August income of \$20.00, expenses of \$285.00, leaving a ending balance of \$8991.04

Program Committee: Carol Tackett: October will be a lecture and trunk show by Judy Cisneros, "Stitches of Hope-Cambodia" describing her experience teaching girls rescued from the sex slave market how to sew and to quilt.. November 16 and 17 will be Bonnie Toy's machine quilting class "Intermediate and Advanced Free Motion Quilting". Space is still available. Sign up now. Program for 2012 is now complete. Details to follow. November 18 guild meeting will be a lecture presented by Joe Cunningham. Carol Larson's lecture entitled "Inspiration" has been moved to February 2012. December 9 will be the Holiday luncheon. Carol also announced the guild has been invited to participate in a special show at the Dolphin, Woodworkers and Quilters. The show will begin January 7, 2012. Size of pieces should be no larger than 18" wide and 24"-36" long. Theme is titled "Mendonoma Magic" relating to the Mendocino/Sonoma Coast. Quilters can enter 2 pieces. Please notify Carol Tackett by November 15 if you are interested in participating. Carol will be out of town November 30 through December 25.

Continuing Education: Kalynn Oleson: Nothing this month. Planning a workshop the last 2 weeks in February 2012--"What do I do now..." Workshop will be directed toward what to do after you've finished your blocks.

Membership: Gail Spencer: Dues for Guild membership will be pro-rated for August through December for new members. Now is the time to encourage your friends and neighbors to join and they will be eligible to participate in the retreat scheduled for January/February 2012.

Publicity: Nothing to report

Newsletter: Janet Windsor: Deadline is September 20. If you have an announcement, send her the "write-up". Also send her any quilting tips you might like to share.

Website: Bonnie Toy: Bonnie announced she will be taking a Web Design class to develop her knowledge of web design, and after the class hopes to incorporate Janet Windsor's new web design in the guild Website.

Library: Mirka Knaster: Brought the books people requested for purchase from the library. Be sure to give your check to Kalynn. She will have more books available later. She also has a Flynn Multi-frame Quilting System available at half price of \$65.00

Hospitality: Thanks to Sylvia Keller for setting up the refreshments and to those who brought cookies.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet invited everyone to view items that have been prepared for sale at the Festival of Trees. Joyce noted that items on half of the table were done by Sylvia Keller. MANY more items are needed. Joyce encouraged members to prepare items for sale in the PPQG booth at the Festival.

Special Events: Cheryl Faconti: Nothing to report.

Challenge 2012: Gail Spencer presented in Jan Carter's absence: Theme is "West Coast Splendor". This area is filled with endless beauty and grandeur. From the majestic forests, to the amazing ocean, to the incredible wildlife, and on and on. You are being asked to interpret an aspect of our beautiful surroundings in a fabric medium. What do you love about living here? Try to depict that with fabric. There is no required fabric, and no size limitation. Young quilters with a family member or sponsor from PPQG are encouraged to submit quilts. Entry forms will soon be available in the GAC office as well as on their website. Dates to remember: Show--April 6 through 29, 2012. Show Opening--April 6 at 5:00 PM. Entries Due--March 21, 2012. Deliver quilts--April 4, 2012. Entry pick up--April 30, 2012.

Comfort Quilts: Polly Dakin: Received 3 comfort quilts from Jeri Taylor, one from Mirka Knaster, one from Margie Binker, one from Carol Tackett.

Quilts of Valor: Received one from Jeri Taylor, one from Mirka Knaster and one from Cheryl Faconti. More quilts of Valor are needed to reach our goal of 25.

Name Tag Drawing: won by Renata Lopez

New Business: Gail Spencer will be doing a mini workshop to make fabric bags for Barbara Fast who takes them to the Children's ward and the Cardiac ward of the SF Hospital. The hospital puts necessities and goodies in the bags for children and special heart pillows in the bags for cardiac patients.

Anita Kaplan announced the Retreat is "happening". She has more than 20 signed up. Can take as many as 25. Dates are January 30 through February 2, 2012. She will be finalizing the fee after talking to the caterer. This is a great opportunity to get to know people, its a wonderful location and good shopping opportunities. Send your deposit of \$100 to Kalynn. Make checks out to PPQG.

Show and Tell: Barbara Dunsmoor showed various purses she made to carry your "essentials; Mirka Knaster showed several different wall hangings; Margie Binker showed a panel and two other quilts; Kalynn modeled a quilted jacket; Carol Tackett showed a wall hanging she made for her mother; Bonnie Toy showed samples of quilting that will be part of her machine quilting class and a couple of fabric pieces she made by discharging color in fabric; Janet Windsor announced she has been accepted for SAQA (Studio Art Quilters Association) traveling quilt show for 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary.