Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild Gualala Arts Building January 20, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Lola DeLongoria. 21 members were present for the business meeting.

No guests or visitors.

Minutes of the November 18, 2011 meeting: Motion was made by Gail Spencer to approve the November 18, 2011, minutes as submitted via email. Motion was seconded in unison by Barbara Fast, Barbara Dunsmoor and Joyce Gaudet. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Kalynn Oleson: Festival of Trees brought in about \$2252 with an additional \$250 from sales at the Dolphin and the Gallery. Year-end budget was exceeded by about \$1300 due to increased travel expenses for the lecturers. Kalynn reminded everyone that it is very important to enroll in scheduled workshops so that contract fees can be met. Cancellation fees are very costly to the guild.

Program Committee: Carol Tackett: Carol seconded Kaylnn's comment to please enroll in the workshops. There are some great workshops and lectures planned. You always learn something! Please enroll.

February 17 -- Carol Lawson lecture on "Inspiration" at the guild meeting

March 15 -- Terry Waldron workshop "The Scavenger Hunt Art Quilt"; lecture at March 16 guild meeting April 20 – Marion Coleman from EBHQ lecture at the guild meeting

May 16&17 -- Alison Schwabe workshop "Hot Quilts from Cold Scraps"; lecture at May 18 guild meeting Sept 19&20 – Dianne Hire workshop "Come Play with Me"; lecture at September 21 guild meeting Oct 18 - Pamela Day, Roseanne Lauters workshop "Purses by Design"; Trunk show at Oct 19 guild mtg

Continuing Education Committee: Kalynn Oleson: Jan and Kalynn will be offering classes in February/March (Feb 22, 23, 29, Mar 1). 'Now what do I do with all these blocks' There will be four classes, ½ day each, i.e. joining blocks, sandwiching a quilt, quilting choices, finishing. You can pick and choose or attend all four.

Membership: Gail Spencer: Thank you to those who have paid their dues. Those who have not submitted their dues yet, please send your check as soon as possible (Gail Spencer, P.O. Box 1489, Gualala, CA 95445).

Publicity: no report

Newsletter: Janet Windsor: Because Janet will be going out of town January 26; it was decided by the group to move the Newsletter deadline from January 25 to January 31. The newsletter will be distributed early in February. Janet is looking for items from the President, the Treasurer, Publicity, Quilt Challenge, and any other items regarding members. Now is the time to "toot your own horn", any awards, special recognitions or special event participations.

Website: no report

Library: no report

Hospitality: Thank you to Sylvia Keller, Sylvia Edwards, Joyce Gaudet for the wonderful lunch, to Laura Hamilton for making the wonderful soup, and to those who brought cookies.

Festival of trees: Sylvia Edwards: Thank you to everyone for their contributions and their help at the Festival of Trees. Almost everything was sold. Think about what to make for next year. It was suggested to re-evaluate pricing next year.

Special Events: Renata Lopez: Nothing happening until July. Email Renata or Cheryl Faconti with any ideas for the July picnic or Holiday Party. Thank you to Renata for her superb job with the Holiday Party. This year please email Renata or Cheryl whether or not you are planning to attend the Holiday Party so they can get an accurate headcount for set up, also remember that help is needed to set up and decorate for the party.

Challenge 2012: Jan Carter: Registration forms are available at the Art Center as well as on the Gualala Arts Web site. http://gualalaarts.org/Forms/2012-04PPQG.pdf Registration deadline is March 21, quilts need to be completed and submitted on April 4. Encourage participation! The goal is to have as many entries at this Challenge as last year—plus one. Ideas for quilts: sunsets, surfing, words, particular quilt patterns that say "West Coast Splendor".

Comfort Quilts: Polly Dakin: 23-25 attended the workshop today. A sincere thanks to everyone for attending and working on quilts. Workshops are very inspirational, the purpose is very heartwarming, and presenting the quilts is very humbling. Six or seven quilts were presented in the last 8 weeks. One quilt was recently presented at Christmas time to a sister of a Sea Rancher. (It was expected to be her last Christmas.) The recipient was very grateful, at a later date she gave a \$100 donation to the Comfort Quilt fund.

Quilts of Valor: Marilyn Limbaugh: Ditto to all of Polly's comments. Thank you to those who are working on, and have completed, Quilts of Valor. Marilyn has 8 quilts and showed two additional QOVs received at this meeting: one from Jerry Taylor and one from someone unknown. If you gave a quilt with a flannel back to Marilyn, please call her. Remember the presentation bag when preparing Quilts of Valor. Marilyn is planning to make a trip to the Veterans Hospital in May. Keep making those quilts. She needs at least 25.

2012 AIR Quilt: Judy Riddle: Judy showed the AIR quilt in progress with some of the appliqué done and an overall idea of the design. Sharon Malachowski has been contacted, and has agreed to do the machine quilting. Anticipated time of completion is April.

Name Tag drawing was not done.

New Business: None presented

Show and Tell: Lola DeLongoria showed the wall-hanging quilt of Fort Ross, made by herself, Joyce Gaudet and Laura Hamilton for the 200th Anniversary of Fort Ross. The quilt will be raffled at the Harvest Festival at Fort Ross in October.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary