Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild Gualala Arts Building May 18, 2012

Meeting called to order at 1.05 p.m. by President Polly Dakin. 30 members were present

Guest of Gail Spencer: Jan Saufferer introduced herself. Jan is new to the area.

Minutes of the April 20, 2012 meeting: Motion was made by Carol Tackett to approve the April minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Marilyn Limbaugh. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Report: **Polly presented in** Kalynn Oleson absence: Beginning balance was \$11,086.87. April income was \$15.00. Expenses were \$1,099.20. Ending balance is \$10,002.67.

Program Committee: Carol Tackett: Next workshop will be September 19 & 20 with Dianne Hire "Come Play With Me". October 18 workshop will be "Purses by Design" with Pamela Day and Roseanne Lauter (the bag ladies). Sample purses and kits were circulated for examination. Since this is a one-day workshop, you must purchase a kit and have your pieces cut out before class. Kits and patterns can be purchased from Kalynn Oleson. Please look at the Workshop descriptions and supply lists on the GAC website and, if possible, sign up for a workshop.

Continuing Education Committee: Jan Carter: Nothing new to report.

Membership: Gail Spencer: Everything is good. Recruit new members.

Publicity: Polly made a plea for someone to step up to fill this position. If you might be interested, please contact Polly for details of the position.

Newsletter: Reminder that the deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is May 25. Send an email to Anna Hines (anna@aghines.com) with your items.

Website: Bonnie Toy: no report

Library: Mirka Knaster: no report

Hospitality: Polly expressed a thank you to those who brought cookies today and a special thank you to Sylvia Keller and Sylvia Edwards for setting up and preparing the coffee and tea for everyone.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet: Joyce displayed patterns and some sample items. She had additional patterns, fabric and books with lots of ideas for items to make. Requirement is that if you take something, please bring back a finished product. Special round of applause to Sylvia Keller for the many items she has already completed and donated.

Special Events: Cheryl Faconti: A tour of the Korbel Winery is being finalized. Meet at the winery at 11:30 for lunch. You can purchase lunch at the Winery lunch counter or bring your own lunch. The Garden Tour is at 1:00 (no charge). Proposed date is Tuesday, July 24 or Wednesday, July 25. An email will be forthcoming once the details are finalized.

Challenge 2012: Jan Carter: Two hang rods were not claimed. One was a wooden yardstick, the other a wood stick about the same size. If they belong to you, please email Jan.

Challenge 2013: Jan Carter: The 2013 Challenge is titled "Celebrate". No size requirement, no fabric requirement.

Comfort Quilts and Quilts of Valor: Polly Dakin and Marilyn Limbaugh: There will be a workshop June 15 at Gualala Art Center starting at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided. There will also be a lesson using the Accu Quilt cutter.

Marilyn and Polly will be taking Quilts of Valor to the VA hospital on June 6. Rather than going to individual rooms, the quilts will be presented to the veterans at a dinner. Marilyn currently has 16 QOVs. Six more quilts were presented at the meeting: one from Ellen Soule, one from Katherine Gyorfi, three from Sylvia Keller, one from Jan Carter. Marilyn had two additional QOV from someone unknown which she will investigate. Marilyn has also identified the one unidentified QOV from several months ago. Gail Spencer, Sylvia Keller and Kathryn Weiss showed quilt tops they made using different fabrics and the same Mystery Quilt pattern.

2012 AIR Quilt: Judy Riddle: Sus Susalla suggested the AIR quilt be on display at GAC during several events from now until the raffle drawing in August. Sus asked the guild to have someone available during these events to sell raffle tickets. Judy will be sending out an email requesting volunteers. Judy will be taking the quilt to the Point Arena library in between the dates Sus requested.

2013 AIR Quilt: Joyce Gaudet: A pattern has been chosen. They will be purchasing fabric in June.

Name Tag drawing was won by Mary Smith. Cheryl Faconti announced that new items have been donated to the basket.

New Business: Polly received notices from two quilt guilds announcing their events.

- (1) Chester Piecemakers Quilt Guild in Chester, CA is having their quilt show "The Quilts of Lake Almanor" on August 4 and 5. For additional information, go to sempriorso@frontiernet.net.
- (2) Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County is having their quilt show "Wine Country Quilts" on June 2 and 3. For more information, go to www.mqsc.org

Dee Goodrich also invited everyone to the quilt show in Fort Bragg "Spring on the Coast", May 26 and 27, featuring Judy Castleton (also a member of PPQG),

Show and Tell: Jan Carter showed a baby quilt she made for her niece; Claire McPherson showed a comfort quilt she made; Bette Covington showed a comfort quilt she made; Dee Goodrich showed two lap quilts she made with lots of texture particularly desirable for the Alzheimers patients (Dee makes quilts for the Red Oaks Sr. Center Adult Day Care facility and the Sherwood Oaks Convalescent Center, both in Fort Bragg); Monica Zarkowski showed two pillows she made using the Cathedral Window technique; Judy Riddle showed a finished quilt she started 11 years ago.

Question was raised asking for required sizes for Comfort Quilts and Baby quilts for Fort Bragg hospital. Recommended size for a Comfort Quilt is 45" x 60", for baby quilts donated to Fort Bragg Hospital, 36" x 42", for the places in Fort Bragg where Dee donates, 36" x 36". However, Comfort Quilts and baby quilts that are any size close to the recommended sizes will be welcome. Because the quilts for the places in Fort Bragg are often for those in wheel chairs, the 36" x 36" size is firm.

Guest Lecturer: Carol Tackett introduced guest lecturer, Allison Schwabe, who presented a wonderful slide show entitled The Quilt Art of Allison Schwabe. Several of Allison Schwabe's quilts were also on display showing the brilliant detail of her techniques.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary