Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild Gualala Arts Building September 21, 2012

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Polly Dakin. 34 members were present

Guests and/or visitors: Welcome to Cindy Wesley, quilter and long-time resident of the area who visited our meeting today.

Minutes of the June 15, 2012 meeting: Motion was made by Kalynn Oleson to approve the June minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Joyce Gaudet. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Kalynn Oleson: Beginning balance was \$9,064.65. Income for June through August was \$61.00. Expenses were \$285.55. Ending balance is \$8,840.10. Motion by Bonnie Toy to approve the Treasurer Report as stated, Second by Sue Arnold. Membership voted to approve the Treasurer Report.

Program Committee: Kalynn Oleson: Kalynn noted the excellent display in the room of quilts done by Dianne Hire and commented on her wonderfully fun workshop of the past two days.

Next and final workshop for 2012 will be October 18, "Purses by Design" with Pamela Day and Roseanne Lauter (the bag ladies). Kalynn had purse kits for those who have already signed up. By end of the meeting, 8 had enrolled for the class. Kalynn stressed again that more sign-ups are needed. For the Bohemian purse—pattern only is \$9, pattern and kit is \$25; For the New Yorker purse—pattern only is \$10, pattern and kit is \$25. The supply kit includes the tools and accessories needed for your purse; you still need to get your fabric. Since this is a one-day workshop, you MUST purchase a pattern or a kit and HAVE YOUR FABRIC PIECES CUT BEFORE CLASS. Come to class with your fabric cut and you can finish the purse in the one-day class. After you sign up for the class, contact Kalynn (ksue57@mcn.org) to purchase a pattern or a kit. Patterns and kits can not be purchased through GAC. Any left over kits and patterns may be purchased from the Kalynn later.

Bobbie Bullard will be the lecturer for the November 16 guild meeting.

Preliminary schedule for 2013: Sharon Malichowski in February; Thom Atkins, a beader will teach how to incorporate beading in your quilt (will require a \$45 kit fee); Laura Wasilowski; Christine Barnes will do either Luminosity or Transparency. Let Kalynn know which would be your preference (Luminosity or Transparency) and she will coordinate with C. Barnes.

Kalynn is still working on scheduling lecturers and thanked everyone for their suggestions.

Continuing Education Committee: Kalynn Oleson and Jan Carter: Beginning quilting classes have been scheduled starting the second Thursday in February and will continue each week for 4 weeks. Check with Gualala Art Center for exact dates. Need sign-ups. Encourage your friends.

Membership: Gail Spencer: Will start prompting next month that membership dues are due!

Publicity: Janice Batchelder has agreed to Chair this position. Thank you, Janice!

Newsletter: Reminder that the deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is September 26. Send an email to Anna Hines with your items.

Website: Bonnie Toy: Bonnie commented and presented options in regard to the recent SPAM activity and access to the Membership Roster. Open discussion followed and it was decided that the

Roster would be removed from the website and Bonnie would send a Roster one time, via email, to the membership for them to personally maintain in whatever form they choose, i.e. paper and/or electronic.

Library: Mirka Knaster: Nothing new to report. There are still several books available for purchase. Price is marked on or in each book. You can select your book, make a check payable to the guild and give payment to Kalynn. Books are in the Guild storage area at GAC.

Hospitality: Everyone enjoyed a special cake recognizing Clair McPherson on her birthday and wishing her well as she leaves Gualala for Lacey, Washington. She will be missed.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet: Joyce was overwhelmed with all the many wonderful donations for Festival of Trees. Thank you to everyone! There are some books available for you to borrow if you need ideas for things to make and there is some Christmas fabric available. Please turn in your items by the October guild meeting so that the committee can price everything. Keep sewing!

Special Events: Holiday Lunch: Renata Lopez: Recognizing that December is around the corner and that everyone is especially busy in December, maybe we should consider an alternative to the Holiday Luncheon, possibly a Valentines Day lunch in February. Please send an email to Renata with your thoughts, ideas or suggestions.

Quilting Retreat: Kalynn Oleson: Retreat is scheduled for February 4 through 7. 18 people have registered, 25 can be accommodated. Fee is \$150. A \$100 deposit is acceptable now with final payment before Feb 1.

Challenge 2013: Jan Carter and Kalynn Oleson: Sharon Stinson was recognized for having her "challenge" done. The Registration form will be out soon. Registration forms will be due the middle of March, show will be the first of April. The 2013 Challenge is titled "Celebrate". No size requirement, no fabric requirement. Jan and Kalynn showed a Comfort Quilt that would be a perfect example of "Celebrate".

Comfort Quilts and Quilts of Valor: Polly Dakin and Marilyn Limbaugh:

Polly circulated several thank you cards for Comfort Quilts presented in the last few months, noting their genuine comments and sincere feeling of someone caring for them in their time of need.

Marilyn showed a QOV she is working on using a panel and fabric kit especially suited for Quilts of Valor. The panel and fabrics are available at the Loft if you need inspiration.

2012 AIR Quilt: Polly announced the 2012 AIR quilt was won by the Walton's of Sea Ranch. This year's quilt brought in \$2,961 for the GAC scholarship fund. Thank you to the many members who helped with ticket sales at the various venues.

2013 AIR Quilt: Polly Dakin: A pattern has been selected, fabrics purchased and distributed to the committee members. 2013 guilt will be Southwest colors.

Name Tag Drawing was won by Gail Spencer. An additional ticket draw was done for 10 lucky winners of Warm and Natural samples (various types of batting) with the caveat that they use the samples and send their evaluation to Warm and Natural.

New Business: Kalynn Oleson received a 1st place ribbon and Best of Show for her vest at the Mendocino County Fair. Kalynn also has 2 pieces accepted at PIQF. Reminder to please send Bonnie Toy pictures and/or notices of any awards or recognitions you receive so they can be added to the website.

Show and Tell:

Mirka Knaster showed a wall hanging and two small quilts made for Festival of Trees, or for Comfort Quilts. Joyce Gaudet showed a quilt top made from pre-sewn squares found in the Fanny Basket. This top will be finished for Festival of Trees or as a Comfort Quilt. Claire McPherson modeled a jacket made at her Tuesday quilting group made from fabric received at the Christmas exchange party. Kalynn Oleson showed a Comfort Quilt made by Dee Goodrich, a UFO finished for a Comfort Quilt, and two additional Comfort Quilts. Bonnie Toy showed a hand-quilted Quilt of Valor made by Connie Seale. Janice Batchelder showed a Comfort Quilt. Marilyn Limbaugh showed an in-progress top of the blocks

for her President's quilt. Polly Dakin showed her finished quilt from Alison Schwab's class. Jan Carter and Renata Lopez showed their work-in-progress from Dianne Hires class.

Guest Lecturer: Kalynn Oleson introduced lecturer Diane Hire who presented an educational and eye-opening slide show entitled "Oxymorons: Absurdly Logical Quilts.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary