Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild Gualala Arts Center April 19, 2013

President Judy Riddle called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM. There were 33 members and 1 guest present.

Minutes: A motion was made by Polly Dakin to approve the minutes of the March 15th meeting as submitted. Marilyn Limbaugh seconded the motion and the membership voted to approve the minutes.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Kalynn Oleson reported a beginning balance of \$10,953.76. There was income of \$595.00 and expenses of \$2,741.76. This left an ending balance of \$8,807.00.

<u>Program Committee:</u> Kalynn Oleson reported that the speaker for the May meeting will be Liz Schmidt. She will be talking about her quilts and wearable art.

There will be a comfort quilt workshop in June.

Kalynn announced that the October meeting will be moved up a week to Friday, October 11th, so as not to conflict with PIQF.

Continuing Education Committee: Co-chairs Jan Carter and Kalynn Oleson informed the membership that the next class will be primarily intermediate quilting, with some beginning, as well. It is scheduled for the Thursday following the 2104 retreat.

<u>Membership:</u> Gail Spencer reported that we now have 98 members. She also reminded us that Bonnie Toy has put the new roster up for us to print. It will not be on the website any longer.

<u>Publicity:</u> Janice Batchelder reported that she regularly sends articles into the ICO, but is never sure they will be printed. They did have an article about the Challenge Show.

<u>Newsletter:</u> The deadline for all articles and information is April 25th. Please submit them to Anna Hines.

Website: No further report. (See membership)

<u>Library:</u> Mirka Knaster reported she had brought boxes of books for sale. Some are free and the rest are priced from \$1 to \$10.

She also reported adding several new donated books for our library. They will be available as soon as they are coded.

<u>Hospitality:</u> Judy thanked Sue Miller, Ann Graf, and Sharon Stinson for set-up and cleanup. She also thanked Sharon Stinson and Julie Verran for bringing goodies.

<u>Festival of the Trees:</u> Joyce Gaudet showed us a small stuffed frog found in the Fanny Basket. She asked if anyone was willing to make a pattern, so we could make several for the Festival. She also showed a length of pre-printed fabric that would make a lovely wall hanging. She asked if anyone was willing to hand quilt it.

<u>2013 AIR Quilt:</u> Polly Dakin reported that she, Lola DeLongoria and Joyce Gaudet were working on the quilt. The center is finished and the committee hopes the entire top will be finished soon. Sharon Malachowski will quilt it. The plan is to have it done by Memorial Day.

<u>2014 AIR Quilt:</u> Judy Riddle and Gail Spencer have agreed to head the committee with help from Polly Dakin. Anyone who is interested in helping is welcome.

<u>Comfort Quilts:</u> Polly Dakin reminded everyone of the June Comfort Quilt and Quilts of Valor workshop. She also thanked Carole Garcia for her generous donation of fabrics. They will be available at the workshop.

Quilts of Valor: Marilyn Limbaugh thanked everyone who had made a quilt. She and Polly Dakin will be going to the VA hospital in Palo Alto to deliver the quilts on June 18th. Anyone wishing to go as well is welcome. Marilyn said that when she told the person in charge that we had fewer quilts (around 15) this year, she was told that there were fewer patients this year.

<u>Challenge 2013:</u> Jan Carter and Kalynn Oleson thanked everyone for a beautiful show. There were more than 60 quilts entered. They then passed the tiaras and scepters on to Barbara Dunsmoor, representing the committee in charge of the 2014 Challenge. They are Iris Lorenz-Fife (Chair), Barbara Dunsmoor, Paula Osborne, Laura Hamilton and Charis Webb.

Barbara announced next year's theme. It is titled (at least for now) "I Write the Songs." Each person will choose a song or piece of music and make a quilt interpreting that piece. For those wanting more of a challenge, they can add the feeling of light, water or wind to their interpretations. More information will follow.

<u>Retreat</u>: Donna Blum announced that the next retreat will be February 3,4, and 5, 2014. It will be in the same place.

Special Events: No report

Name Tag Drawing: Jan Carter won.

New Business: Donna needs one more person on the Retreat Committee.

Program Committee 2015 needs more members. So far, it is made up of Judy Riddle and Polly Dakin.

Marilyn Limbaugh announced that there will be a celebration of the lives of Jim and Carol Tackett on October 20, 2013 at the art center. Anyone wishing to help, please contact Marilyn.

<u>Show and Tell:</u> Those showing their quilts were Judy Riddle, Barbara Dunsmoor, Mirka Knaster, Katherine Gyorfi, Janice Batchelder, Pat Connell, and Jan Saufferer.

Kalynn Oleson introduced our guest speaker, Thom Atkins.

The meeting was adjourned at 3 PM

Minutes submitted by Barbara Dunsmoor, secretary.