

TSWG Meeting Minutes - March 4, 2020 - TSWG Studio

Meeting called to order at 12:00PM by President, Sandi Petty

Welcome Guests / visitors – Tim, Kathy, Sandi, Melinda, Tom, Stephanie, MaryAnn, Bobbi, Susan, Jan, Judy and guest Judy King

February 2020 Minutes – Judy approved / Tom seconded, unanimously approved

Treasurer's report - Mary Ann gave the treasurer's report which can be reviewed in the Treasurer's Book located in the studio. We received a \$70.00 donation for a warping mill. Check issued and given to Corinne for our 2020 dues. We collected \$4,320.00 for the double weave class and much of this will be paid out as expenses. Judy moved we accept the report / Susan seconded, unanimously approved

Old Business:

Web site – Kathy will update Next Steps to What's Next on the web site. Reminder: Please give Kathy pictures or articles that you would like to see on our web site

Guild studio staffing March – Pattie- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f48a4a922a1fd0-tswg1> - please sign up if you think you will be in the studio on Wednesdays or Saturdays, especially Saturdays. If you have to cancel it is OK.

Cardboard loom update – Bobbie – If you volunteer to help at the beginning weaver's class, please plan to help put together cardboard looms. Bobbie has worked hard to get the supplies for these looms organized.

Dates for Beginning Weaving Class – March 20, 21, 22 - (seven paid) – we will discuss equipment and help needed later this month. Sandi passed a sign up sheet around for volunteers for set up, helping in the class and clean up.

Jennifer Moore workshop update – arrangements for Jennifer's airport pick up and place to stay, with Stephanie, have been made. Jan will provide lunch on Tuesday, Kathy will supply lunch for Wednesday and the guild will buy lunch at the café for everyone on Thursday. Mary Ann's husband will provide baked goods for the class and others are asked to bring snacks. Bobbie will cover the studio on Wednesday. There is room for one more student for the class.

Studio projects – Gerri has retired. Keep weaving and also take fiber from our studio supply to weave dishtowels so we can continue to have a good supply of towels to sell under TSWG. We plan to put a baby blanket warp on Sally once the rugs currently on the loom have been completed. Sandi recommends we weave two towels in the same pattern as often our customers will buy two that are the same.

Guild yarn supply – Jan has been organizing the storage area and will get cardboard on the shelves so the cones/fibers do not fall through. There will soon be a sign up sheet when you take guild yarns so we know what colors are out and who has them. Donated fibers will be identified as to type so they can be sorted and stored.

Equipment – donations, maintenance – the electric bobbin winder has been repaired. We bought texsol to update Bob and the 22yds purchased are almost gone. Now awaiting pins to complete the job of updating Bob.

MAFA – time for 2020 -2022 membership renewal – Fewer than 25 members: \$60 or 26-50 members: \$70 – dues not due till Oct. 2020

HGA (Handweaver's Guild of America) - Convergence - Knoxville, Tennessee July 24-30, 2020

"What's Next?" – April 15th – Book & Pattern interpretation – Kathy will teach this class

New Business:

Cost of bench – Stephanie will research cost of weaving benches so we can decide what to pay the woodworkers guild for the walnut bench they are making for Sally

Mosley Threads – Kathy wrote to Mr. Mosley about the inconsistency of his colors. Mr. Mosely has contacted her about the letter about six times and advised that he is working with his chemist on the colors. We currently plan to find a new supplier and Melinda will do some research on the different vendors to present at the next meeting.

Cost of Towels – Raising the price for the towels was presented and it was suggested that we shorten the towels instead of raising the price which will save both fiber and time. Melinda and Jan will work on the cost of towels and present to the guild for a decision within the next two months.

Planning for 4th Graders – Please check and mark your calendars for May 29 when the 4th graders will come to the studio. Many volunteers are needed.

Grandparent's camp – Judy will check the schedule for the date and start planning for this event.

TSWG brochures - We need a brochure to inform the surrounding community about us. They could be placed at Visitor's Centers, B&B's, motels/hotels, realtors, etc. Kathy will be the key person to gather info for the brochure and we plan to order 1000 @ about \$225.00. Tom approved / seconded by Susan, unanimously approved

Tides Inn opportunity – Sandi spoke with Tides Inn about their new focus. They are renovating to offer 75 rooms from over 100 previously. They are going to have a craft studio, potter's wheel and kiln. They will also have an artist in residence from 4-28days and the room accommodation for the artist will be complimentary. We hope to invite the Tides Inn rep to the Heritage Arts Center and introduce her to Corinne. It is possible that our guild could offer a cardboard loom class but we need to find out / decide what may interest those visiting Tides Inn.

Show and Tell – 1:10PM

What's Next -Topics:

- Warping with a paddle
- Inlay weaving
- Weaving to wear
- Different loom styles
- Weaving structures (twill, overshot, etc.)
- Weaving tartans
- Tricks of the trade

Calendar dates:

- Every Friday – Thread Addicts 8:30 to noon – HAC
- April 1 – TSWG Monthly Meeting at 12:00PM
- Mar. 10, 11, 12 – Double Weave Class at the TMB
- Mar. 20, 21, 22 – Beginning Weaver's Class / TMB
- May 29 – Northumberland 4th Graders
- July 6-10 Grandparent's Camp