

Tavern Spinners and Weavers Guild

Meeting Minutes for May 25, 2022 (at Kathy's Studio)



Jan called the meeting to order at 11:01 A.M. after Kathy took us on a tour of her studio

First and foremost - A huge thank you to Kathy for hosting the meeting at her lovely home and then providing all of us with a delicious lunch. Kathy, you have a wonderful gift of hospitality.

Attendance – Judy, Tom, Bobbie, Wonda, Melinda, Jan, Kathy, Sandi, Becky, George, Helen

April Minutes - Judy moved / Tom seconded and the minutes were unanimously accepted

Reports

Treasurer – In Mary Ann's absence, Jan gave the treasurer's report. In April we received \$530 in donations, \$1305 for the weaving class, \$69 spent on toner and supplies. Total income was \$2243. More TSWG finance information is available in the treasurer's folder in the studio Yellow Cat Room.

Foundation – Kathy was secretary for the meeting and there was nothing significant to report.

Studio Status – Kathy made project cards which are to be used when a new warp goes onto a studio loom. This will help volunteers in the studio to understand the information needed to move forward with the threading/weaving of the warp. The status of each of the looms was discussed. Judy will be starting the ordered placemat project soon.

Scholarship – Instead of sponsoring a high school scholarship, Sandi had an idea to fund the art departments of Northumberland County Public Schools. This will actually help a lot more students than focusing on one student. Melinda met one of the NUCPS counselors, Krista Sisk, who provided names of the new principal, Shelli Lipton, who will start July 1, 2022. Also, Heather Cockrell is the art teacher for the middle school. She just completed her first year. Katrina Perez is the art teacher for the high school. Melinda will be finding out the name of the elementary school art teacher. Once we have all the art teachers names, Melinda will send an email to each of them to establish relationship and find out what their

needs are for their art department. Stay tuned at June meeting to find out what the needs are so we can continue to move forward on making funding decisions for coming school year.

MAFA/Other Guilds – Mid-Atlantic Fiber Assoc. / Sandi advised the representatives meeting was held May 24 to make decisions about the Jun 22-25, 2023 conference held in Millersville, PA. Normally, conference attendees can select one subject with 16 hours of instruction. In 2023, there may also be online classes included. Cost is \$650 for the 3 days and includes accommodations in a dorm room and meals.

Handweavers Guild of America Convergence will be in Knoxville, TN July 15-22, 2022 at the Knoxville Convention Center.

Equipment – Tom moved the storage shelves off the studio table. It is great to have the table space available for work. He is working on projects at home for the studio looms.

Great Wheel – located in the storage room off history hall is yours with a donation to the guild. Any takers?

Warping Reel – Becky will borrow it to see if she wants to add this piece of equipment to her stash.

Old business

1) 4th Grade Visit – Judy advised the visit was cancelled due to rainy weather. It will not be rescheduled this year. Judy plans to remove the warps and save them for the future.

2) Grandparents Camp – George brought cardboard rounds for the bracelets. Bobbi took one home to cut to see if it will work. We will be making the woven bracelets and mug rugs with those attending.

3) New Weaver Class, Aug 5, 6, 7, 2022, Friday, Saturday and Sunday– Kathy advised there are eleven confirmed students with 1 or 2 waitlisted. Please mark your calendars especially for Aug. 5 when the new students need help with winding their warps and getting their warps onto the loom.

4) Summer/Winter Class - Oct. 7, 8, 9, 2022 - Sandi advised 11 guild members have shown interest in the class and 18 total can be in the class. It was decided that we will charge TSWG members \$100 and non-members \$150 to take the class. The weaving will be on a four-shaft loom and the yarn will be included in the price for guild members. We will contact the Fredericksburg guild and invite them to take the class.

New Business

- 1) Overshot – Judy will bring in some overshot books by Susan Kesler-Simpson. The guild may decide to buy these books for our library. The overshot study group will finish off samples of all the patterns in the next year — and the guild will create a book with all the patterns and samples.
- 2) Guild Library – needs a volunteer to keep up with new books being added and passing on the information to Kathy for our website
- 3) Website – has a link to Jennifer Moore and Josephine Estes patterns. Jennifer Moore citation is for disguising the fold line in double-weave, and the Josephine Estes patterns are for miniature overshot. Also, Sandi showed examples of double-weave fold.

Education Items

- 1) “About” sessions – Soon, there will be a session about winding a warp using multiple colors.
- 2) Lessons learned – Be very careful when planning a project that includes thick and thin yarns. Could be problematic.

Show & Tell - Pictures were taken of the show and tell projects and Kathy added them to our website. Enjoy.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30P.M.

Respectfully submitted by

Melinda K. Floom, Secretary