## **Tavern Spinners and Weavers Guild**

# Meeting Minutes for May 24, 2023

### Show and Tell

Call to order by Jan at 10:45A.M., Tavern Meeting Building

**April Minutes -** Tom moved / Kathy seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved

Special Announcement - Judy Mooers is moving to Canon City, CO in Feb. 2024

## Reports

**Treasurer -** Mary Ann advised we had income of \$242.25 from the gift shop sales along with dues, interest, etc for a total income for April of \$362.87. Outgoing funds included weaving class instructor pay of \$652.50 along with other costs for a total of \$836.00. More information can be found in the treasurer's book in the Yellow Cat Studio.

**Foundation –** Becky let us know some of the highlights of the recent foundation meeting. Tavern has recycled a lot of scrap metal. The Foundation also awarded scholarships, the café needs a new management structure and Corinne plans to start running radio ads for the Tavern.

**Studio/Yarn Status -** Jan reminded the guild that volunteers are needed in the Yellow Cat studio. When you are done volunteering at the end of the day, be sure to put away the threads you used if you completed a towel. Also, once a woven warp is removed from a loom, be sure to clean and check the loom for needed maintenance and leave a note so everyone knows what needs to be done to get the loom ready for the next warp.

We have a new contact for **Mo Purl orders, Chris at 334-707-7411.** The weighted warp loom is now set up in the back room down the hall. Go take a look.

**School Sponsorship –** Sandi moved we donate \$500 to Middle School Art Class on 7Aug2023, Melinda seconded and it was unanimously approved.

**Social Media –** Kathy will put the rigid heddle reed we just received as a donation on Facebook for sale. Jan's "President's Corner" article has recently been loaded onto our website. Take a look!

**MAFA/Other Guilds** – Jan submitted the paperwork to display our Josephine Estes Miniature Overshot project at the MAFA conference. HGA has a towel exchange if anyone is interested. MAFA provides a free day pass on Saturday during the conference.

**Equipment –** Tom is installing the new brake for loom Wilson today. Wilson was built 5/13/1996. Judy advised that her church has two looms that may soon be for sale (TSWG may want the 6 shaft)

### Old Business

**Fall Beginning Weaving class, Aug 25-27 –** Currently there are only two signed up for this class. Kathy will provide a new picture of people enjoying learning to weave to Corinne to replace the current



picture of a loom that announces upcoming classes. Hopefully, this will encourage more interest in the class.

**Fiberworks in-house class** – For those interested in learning to use Fiberworks, we decided to use the book <u>Next Steps in Weaving</u>, which is in our studio library, as a guide. The current plan is to have 3 half-day seminars, with each student bringing their own laptop with Fireworks loaded. Kathy will email possible dates. There is a lot of interest.

**4th Grade Visit, May 25, 2023 –** Judy is ready and will be assisted by Jan, Heather and Mary Ann. Looms to be used are Luna, Minnie, and Judy's table top.

**Hanson Rabbit farm visit, July 2 –** No one was able to make it for this date, so we will table the idea for now.

#### **New Business**

**Artisan School Support –** Judy will contact the Tavern artisans to see if there is interest in supporting Northern Neck schools' art classes by donating excess art supplies. Melinda will contact the other county schools to gauge their interest. Possible dates were in the first week of August.

**New School Sponsorship(s)** - Depending on the level of interest from the counties other than North-umberland, we may consider sponsorships for other programs.

**Upcoming Studio Visits/ TSWG Meetings –** Judy will open her studio for the guild meeting in August 2023. She will ask that those who come, help carry away excess supplies she wants to donate to TSWG guild or guild members. Sandi will open her studio for the meeting in Oct 2023.

**Future Classes –** Maybe an intro class to all types of weaving. It would be a one day class for a nominal fee.

Meeting adjourned 12:10P.M.

Minutes submitted by

Melinda K. Floom, Secretary