NOTE: Sherry Morgan has suggested that it would be terrific if our members wanted to send handwritten notes of thanks to The Heritage Quilters for their wonderful program. Their mailing address is P.O. Box 969, Warrenton, NC 27589.

Northampton Modern Quilt Guild Minutes & Meeting Notes

November 1, 2020 Via Zoom due to Covid-19

Attendance: 33 Members and 10 Guests

Welcome to our newest member, Whitney Gecker!

To allow maximum time with our special program guests, The Heritage Quilters of Warrenton, NC, we kept our business meeting to a minimum.

BUSINESS MEETING

Approval of Minutes

In our excitement about The Heritage Quilters, we forgot to have the October minutes approved, so will have to do so at our December 5th meeting.

Planning Committee Report

Workshops by nationally known teachers have been confirmed for 2021. Each workshop will be conducted on two consecutive Saturday afternoons:

- Julia Graves March 13 & 20
- Maria Shell September 18 & 25

We will be discussing our monthly meeting program calendar for 2021 at our December 6th meeting.

December 6th is our official annual meeting

The agenda will include reports by our President and Treasurer and election of officers. All of our current officers are willing to serve another year, but nominations are open to anyone who has been a member of the guild for at least one year.

In addition to finalizing our 2021 program calendar, the Program Committee is planning Zoom-able activities for this meeting in lieu of our usual holiday potluck and fat quarter swap.

Dues for 2021

Please mail your \$50 check for 2021 guild dues to our Treasurer, Barbara Farrell, 73 Elm Street, East Longmeadow, MA 01028 **by December 31, 2020**. As always, a sliding scale or dues waiver is available for anyone for whom this will be a hardship – let us know.

Dues may also be paid via Venmo (https://venmo.com) but not by credit card: @Barbara-Farrell-29. If you have questions about using Venmo, please email Barbara Farrell: bjfarrell73@charter.net.

Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance: \$4,759.91 Petty Cash \$.53 Expenses:

> Bank \$3.00 Mail Pin \$.55

Income:

\$25.00 New Member Whitney Gecker \$350.00 Seven members 2021 renewal at \$50.00

We did not ask for approval of this month's Treasurer's Report, so will need to do that at our December 5th meeting.

PROGRAM

The Heritage Quilters: "How We Got Here: Journeys of Quilts, Quilting, and Self-Discovery"

The Heritage Quilters is an African-American quilting group based in Warrenton, NC, and drawing members from the surrounding rural northeastern NC area. Rather than a traditional quilting guild, theirs is an organization dedicated to community service through quilting, with a focus on youth and education. In a presentation characterized by warmth and generosity of spirit, eight of their members took turns sharing their own personal quilting journeys along with photos of their quilts.

For more information and photos-including "Stitching Life Stories"—see their website: https://heritagequilters.net