**WGK General Meeting**

**February 8, 2021**

**Location: Zoom;**

**Time: 6: 30pm**

**Member’s participating; 25**

**Social time: 6:30-7:00pm**

**Meeting called to order at 7;00pm by Susan Rice President.**

**Susan introduced our guest speaker Dawn Edwards. Topic of discussion was “ Eco-Printing around the world.”**

Dawn took us on a trip around the world; introducing us to a group of incredibly talented eco-printing artists; describing their work, passion for nature and commitment to their craft, their love of sharing, and respect for the environment.

Dawn concluded her journey with the quote;

“In conclusion, for me the magic of eco-printing is in part the alchemy that occurs through nature’s gift of printing beauty, but also, as I hope through the gift of the incredible artists from around the world who I’ve had the opportunity to meet, grow, to know, and learn from, and who have greatly enriched my life.”

Dawn Edwards,

[www.feltsoright.com](http://www.feltsoright.com)

**Business Meeting:**

**Time: 8:00pm.**

**Treasurer:**

**Terri Feldt: Treasurer**, presented and asked for a vote of approval for December 2020 financial report.

Motion to approve: Gail Pilgrim. Susan Rice, seconded. Approval: unanimous by reaction.

Terri asked the Board and Committee Chairs who have monetary proposals for the next fiscal year to please submit to her within the next few weeks.

The budget saw an increase from sales of thrums and notecards.

Terri reported the budget was healthy; in part because of our decreased expenses due to Covid-19.

**Secretary:**

**Judith Jones: Secretary** asked that the Minutes from the November 9,2020, General Meeting is approved.

Motion to approve: Susan Rice. Seconded: Cyndee Mishler. Approval: unanimous by reaction.

**Librarian:**

**Kristi Chapman, Librarian** displayed a new book to our library:

Shadow Weave, SIMPLY. Author: Susan Kesler-Simpson.

The book and the latest editions of Handwoven and Dyepot are available for loan.

**Education:**

**Karen Vanderweele: Education** asked for members who know of a rug loom for sale, to please contact herself or Tillers. Tillers are expanding their community outreach to include teaching the learning disabled. Karen referred them to Baker, Allegan Studio and Great Northern Weaving.

**MLH:**

**MLH representative, Nancy Reile** asked for members to submit their work during the pandemic; the work will be formatted into a video for MLH, titled, “ Pandemic Creations.” The photo/photo’s require good resolution. Deadline for submission is no later than April 1, 2021.

Full submission details and criteria can be found in the February Shuttle, and in a dedicated email sent to membership by Ann Niemi, dated February 3, 2021 at 4:29pm.

Submit to: [nancy.reile@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.reile@gmail.com).

**Susan Rice, President,** has finished compiling the Executive Board Job Descriptions.

**The VP’s position has not been filled this year. Terri Feldt will be vacating the position of Treasurer in the next fiscal year. All Board positions are imperative to the smooth running of the Guild and are MANDATED by the State; allowing us to maintain our tax-free status. All Board members are putting out a “ cry for help.” Please, please contact Susan Rice with your offer of help. Anyone interested is welcome to attend our Zoom board meeting. Contact Terri Feldt @** [**tcfeldt@bloomingdalecom.net**](mailto:tcfeldt@bloomingdalecom.net)**. Terri will sent you the link and invite.**

**Website:**

**Bev Zalewski** has kindly taking over the maintenance of our website:

Please send website info to: [wgkazoo@gmail.com](mailto:wgkazoo@gmail.com).

Please submit and Guild web- site uploads to Bev.

**Mark your Calendars:**

**Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. HGA. “Textiles & Tea” takes place every Tuesday, 4-5pm.**

**February’s schedule: Tuesday 9,16 & 23rd, 2021. Please refer to HGA’s website for the complete years calendar. An outline was also posted in this months shuttle.**

**February 25,2021: Board meeting via Zoom. Time 11:00am.**

**March 1,2021: Deadline for Shuttle submissions.**

**March 1,2021: Deadline for Show and Tell. “ Martha Town Twills and Other Twills.”**

**March 8,2021: General Meeting, Gail Pilgrim, presenting, “Krokbragd.”**

**April 21,2021: Gretchen Huggett, KIA representative, will lead a book discussion at KIA, “ Golden Thread.” Pre registration required.**

**May: ‘Throw in The Towel Exchange.”**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Judith Jones, Secretary, 2020/21.**