

## Weavers Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc.

### General Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2017

Nancy Arlidge, membership chair, pass around list, make sure email correct, name correct/spelling; trying to get a complete, central accessible database of members.

**Meeting called to order** by V. President, Margie Glenn at 7:00 pm. (President Karen VanderWeele is ill.) Presentation for the evening also canceled.

Results from 3x5 card - price point for items sold at 2016 Wafa was \$50 or less. WGK page on Facebook (FB) has 99 likes. FB is social medium most used by members.

Suggested by-laws changes to be voted on in May. Only proposing the change tonight, then it will go in the Shuttle to inform all membership, then will be discussed and voted on at May business meeting. – two changes proposed:

1. Name change – Proposed change: **The name of this organization is: Kalamazoo Weavers' & Fiber Artists' Guild, Inc.**

Discussion tonight. Will the WGK name need to be officially “closed down” and then reopened under the new name? Is there a legal/incorporation issues that will preclude a name change? Does incorporation preclude making changes to by-laws? Use Kalamazoo Weavers' & Fiber Artists' Guild, Inc. as a “doing business as” (DBA)? Some charter members at the meeting were against name change.

2. Changing elected officers term from 1 year to 2 years with staggered terms. Proposed change: Officers shall be elected immediately preceding the annual meeting for a term of **two years** and shall assume the responsibilities immediately following the annual meeting. **To provide leadership continuity, Officers shall be elected on a two-year rotating cycle, with the President and Secretary being elected one year, and Vice-President and Treasurer being elected the next year.**

Discussion tonight. The one year terms we have now are good enough as it is hard to get people to run for even the one year term. Before we used to have VP move into the President's position to have continuity on the board. VP is preferable to do 2 years. With longer terms get to know people learn who each other are. Treasurer preferable for 2 years in a row. Don't need change terms because can have longer terms occur now.

Garage sale in May. If get table to sell at garage sale donate \$5 to guild. Guild doesn't have a lot of money need money makers.

Study group presentation KEEP in May; study groups integral to guild. Idea presented to have a study group present something each month and provide hospitality for that month.

For members who don't have e-mail and want a hard copy of the Shuttle mailed to them, they are sent an abbreviated version of the Shuttle.

In April is Joanne Batchelder "Making Stripes" workshop; does not require a loom. Color pencil & paper. She is also the presenter in April.

April meeting start at 6:30 p.m. So have time to cover Wafa business.

Name tags, stamp w/WGK logo and then write your own name tag. Also use sign in sheet for count of who attended.

Password: Members

Adjourned at 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

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Weavers' Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc. Secretary