

## Chapter Business Meeting Minutes– February 1, 2014

**Call to order:** 10:15 a.m. A quorum was declared with 39 members present. Introductions were made.

### Executive Committee Reports:

**President:** Terry Banton announced that a notebook will be provided at meetings for members to write down any suggestions or recommendations they may have. The board will review this information for possible recommendation to the chapter. The notebook was passed among members present.

Terry announced the convention wrap-up meeting will be held tomorrow, February 2, at 9:00 a.m., at the Red Lion Columbia River Hotel. All committee reports are to be submitted.

Sue Scheewe suggested that we put our newsletters outside of the Members Only section on our web site. This should be an edited version, with personal information and financials edited out. Consensus was reached that we post some of the dates and events from our newsletter on the web site.

**Vice-President:** Georgia Magarrell announced that Debbie Gill has volunteered to be our new Education Chair. Thank you Debbie! Contact Debbie for information regarding Education seminars. Georgia is organizing the after meeting paint-ins.

Becky Albeke is teaching today. Our March 29, meeting will be followed by a project taught by Judy Meirow on a surface supplied by the student. A sample of the project and instructions are available at this meeting. Terry Banton will be teaching a project after our June 7, meeting.

**Secretary:** Stephanie Graiff is out of town on Business today. Nancy Baur is recording the meeting in Stephanie's absence. **Motion made by Peggy Smith, seconded by Betty Jean Kendall, to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2013, meeting as printed in the newsletter. Motion Passed.**

**Treasurer:** Judy Elam reported that the chapter has a permanent Postal Box at a mail house in Gresham. The address is: 2229 NE Burnside Street, #28, Gresham, OR 97030. We now have Raindrop Chapter Gift certificates available for purchase. Thank you Lupe Vasquez-Lewis for designing our new gift certificates! *Monies were reported and details can be found on our website, under Members Only, Financials.* (edited by Editor)

### Standing Committee Reports:

**Retreat:** Cathy Schmidt and Pam Murphy. Pam Murphy showed the Friday evening and Saturday class projects which will be taught by Maxine Thomas. The dates of our retreat this year are June 13, 14, and 15. Cathy Schmidt will paint and teach the project for Sunday afternoon. The cost for retreat will be \$195.00, as we are using only lower bunks for sleeping. The theme will be "Nature."

**Education:** Debbie Gill announced that our next education seminar with Mary Gibilisco is full, with 30 students registered. Lunch will be potluck pot luck, with dishes assigned according to first letters of the last name. The Brenda Stewart seminar will be held April 5 and 6. Debbie is registering members today for both Brenda Stewart classes, held at the Union Hall in Tualatin. Arlene Linton is also scheduled to teach for us this year.

**Membership:** Joan Porter and Nancy Baur reported we have 103 members at this time. Nancy has completed and printed the 2014 Membership Directory and has copies to distribute today.

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**2015 Expo:** Terry announced that publicity flyers are printed and will be distributed at Las Vegas.

**Nominating:** Peggy Smith volunteered to chair the nominating committee. Thank you Peggy!

**Newsletter/Web Site:** Lupe Vasquez-Lewis reminded members that the deadline for the newsletter is February 15. She requested that all members respond to the invitation to join the [Raindropeditor@yahoogroup.com](mailto:Raindropeditor@yahoogroup.com). This will expedite our email blast announcements that Lupe is called on to send. It will reduce the time she must spend by about 300%. Her new email address for raindrop related messages is [raindropeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:raindropeditor@yahoo.com).

**Greeters:** Carol Klett and Marlene Roth recorded 39 members in attendance today.

**Ways & Means:** Betty Jean Kendall announced that she has lots of “stuff” for sale today, and will continue to accept donated items.

**Memory Boxes:** Helga Nichols and Dinky Davis. We will be ordering more papier-mâché boxes. Charmaine Bannister and Dinky Davis will research prices and report to the board. The boxes must be at least 6” by 4” in length and width, and must be at least 4” in height.

**Treasure Boxes:** The boxes are very much appreciated by the child patients, and the hospital staff.

**Librarian:** Dinky Davis volunteered to serve as chapter librarian. Thank you Dinky!

**Sunshine Lady:** Diane Lien will serve as our sunshine lady. Thank you Diane! Sharon Krupika has had knee surgery recently.

**Secret Pals:** Susan Maahs is gathering nice Secret Pal Stories to forward to the SDP per their request.

**Old Business:** Terry Banton referred to the proposed bylaw change printed in the newsletter regarding committees. The following **Standing Committees** shall remain: Executive Committee (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Advisor/Past President); Audit; Chapter Booth; Education; Membership; Nominating; Regional Convention (EXPO); and Retreat Committees.

**Revision:** The following committees shall be changed to **Special Committees:** Charities (Women’s Shelter, Memory Boxes, Treasure Boxes); Communications; Greeters Historian; Hospitality; Learn to Paint; Librarian; Newsletter/Web Master; Secret Pals; Sunshine Lady.

**Motion made by Peggy Smith, seconded by Susan Maahs, to approve the bylaw changes as printed in the newsletter.**

**Motion passed.**

**Announcements:** Peggy Smith is collecting personal items and clothing for homeless children living in downtown Portland. They can also use coffee mugs. Peggy will submit an article for the newsletter.

Pam Murphy announced that today is the day for the President’s raffle drawing. Monica Bayness distributed class registration catalogs for the 2014 Seattle Convention.

**Adjournment: 11:55 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Baur  
Secretary Pro tem