# RIP N SEW GENERAL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 7, 2024

#### PENDING APPROVAL

Roll Call and Attendees: Jeanne Phillips, Dianne Repsholdt, Linnea Shulman, Dianne Sievers and Karen Everett. Stacy Jordan, Mary Ann Lewton, Jolene Piaskowski, Nancy Pemberton were excused. Members present today 39.

Jeanne Phillips called the meeting to order at 9:30 in the Social Hall.

We began the meeting with the pledge to the flag, greeting new members and singing happy birthday to the March birthdays.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Jeanne Phillips opened the meeting by asking for corrections or additions to the January and February General Meeting minutes. They have been posted 30 days. Unanimous approval as written. According to Robert's Rules of Order a motion is not required.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Linnea reported as of 2/29/24 total assets of \$37,543.09. total liabilities \$834.63. Copy attached.

## 1st CO VP Report—CLASSES

Dianne S reported April does not have classes available due to a lack of teachers. Eileen Horan suggested we go back in the archives to see what classes were offered, as there are many new members. Some of the classes could be offered again. We could contact the teachers to see, if they would be willing to teach the class again. Leigh Abresch suggested we take a survey to determine what members would like offered. It was recommended to use the suggestion box or contact Dianne S or Jolene. Marilyn Zenz is going to teach the easy breezy placemat in April. Date to be determined.

## 2nd VP Report—Monitor & Orientation

Dianne R. reported several empty monitor opportunities were not filled in February. This is the last month the Jo Ann's gift card will be awarded for incentive of the month. Beginning in March the incentive winner will be given a 1/2 day class. Congratulations to Jennifer Steele, February's winner!

## **President's Report**

Currently we have 260 members. 91 did not renew. Sally Kinzel & Connie Province have agreed to serve as the nominating committee. They are searching for candidates for Co President.

The board is meeting on March 11th to survey cabinets for additional space. All the cabinets will be checked for items no longer needed, including the patterns & library. Marian Clish, Marsha Smith, Linda Logan and Terese Farrar have been invited. Eva needs a better location that will allow her to instruct, uninterrupted, while members can get into the cabinets behind her. Thanks to Jolene for organizing the buttons and Dianne R the thread.

The board has decided the tents in the front cabinets will be sold. There will be an envelope on the monitors desk for bidding.

April suggested we make a list of all available items being sold, so all members can bid on them.

The Rec Center has advised they will be charging for more than two social events. Cost will depend on the room being used.

#### WINDOW DECORATING COMMITTE

We are in search of a committee to do the window decorations, for the two front windows. There are supplies available in the club that can be used in the window.

#### **SERGER CLEANING**

Eileen Horan has volunteered to chair the serger cleaning committee. Additional fuzz busters are Jennifer Wold, Rose Waldon and Maryanne Edens. When using the serger, sign in on the clipboard, in the serger area. Be sure to clean the serger, with the makeup brush, when you finish & empty the white bag. All the sergers will be cleaned once a week by the fuzz busters. Should they find the sergers being neglected, you will be notified. Good care of the machines eliminates expensive repairs.

## **SEWING FROM THE HEART**

Marian Clish and Marsha Smith reported they are in need of flannel & yarn. They donated 106 items to Ronald McDonald house. Some of the items were crocheted & sewn animals, vests & walker bags. The group is also supporting Veteran Mom's & babies. Leigh, Marian & Marsha are going to get together to see if they can get a

grant for materials. Valerie Holliday will post on facebook market place a request for donations from the community. It was suggested they contact Macro Knit or Encore for donations of supplies. The wall hanging made & donated by Marsha, was won by Jennifer Steele. The donations went to Sewing from the Heart.

### **QUILTS FOR THE CAUSE**

Linda Logan reported they have been very productive. Diane from Hospice of the Valley picked up 28 quilts. She also reminded us she is able to speak at any of our meetings. We had 12 people working on the quilts and currently have 28 finished including some patriotic quilts. Eva ordered a bolt of batting that Darlene Mullen donated. Our batting roll will usually make about 45 quilts. We are planning to make some strip quilts so we don't use as much batting.

#### **FIESTA OLE**

Karen reported the Fiesta Ole is being held April 4th, in the Social Hall. The meeting starts at 11:00 followed by lunch at 11:30. Menu includes chicken/beef burrito, refried beans, rice, chips, salsa, churro's, all for just \$5.00. We will be collecting non perishable food for Valley View Food Bank. Sign up in the club. Don't forget your Hispanic costume. There will be prizes, music & lots of fun!

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Robin Reynolds ask why we are still having monthly General Meetings. It was brought up about a year ago. When will a decision be made? Jeanne explained she was not ready to make the decision. She feels the need to get together monthly, as it is a way for all members to stay informed regarding club business. We already do not get together June, July & August.

Next Board Meeting will be March 28, 2024 at the Men's Club at 1:30 pm. General Meeting will be April 4, 2024. Fiesta Ole.

Jeanne adjourned meeting 10:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Everett

Co Secretary