

Meeting was called to order by Donna Wilson (President) at 10:04am on April 16th, 2022, via Zoom.

Roll Call by Cassandra del Nero (Secretary):

Present:

Executive Board Members: Donna Wilson (President), Kathy O'Hern (Vice President), Cassandra del Nero (Secretary), Annali Cross (Treasurer, Communications), Dorald Stoltz (State Fair Coordinator), Marlene Lloyd (Education, Workshop Coordinator)

Guild Representatives: Carrie Rohn (Aurora), Cathy Cooley (Central OR), LeAnn Meyer (Clatsop), Cheryl Richardson (Columbia), Sarah Mostkoff (Eugene), Kathy O'Hern (Gorge Handweavers), Kim Thompson (Heritage Textiles), Kelly Drake (Klamath), Sue Walsh (Portland), Lisa Krebs (Rogue Valley), Dorald Stoltz (Salem), Cindy Fowler (Saturday Handweavers), Corienne Geddes (Umpqua), Vanessa Damron (Webfoot)

Others: Cynthia Newman (Threadbenders)

Absent: Sandie McDonald, Lisa Bushman (represented by Cynthia Newman)

Secretary by Cassandra del Nero:

Notes for Fall of 2021 were approved to be archived.

Vice President: by Kathy O'Hearn

Scholarships:

2021 Scholarships received by Heritage Textiles and Portland Handweavers were given an extension to spend their money until the end of 2022. 2022 Scholarship recipients are Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers, Salem Fiber ARTs, Threadbenders, and Webfoot Weavers. Congratulations!

Treasurer's Report: by Annali Cross

Annali C. sent a spreadsheet to Donna W. of 2022, 2021, 2020 projected and actual spending, showing that most spending by WeGO has been bills and upkeep due to the pandemic. Current funds in the Bank: \$33,863.29 (\$1100 for Disaster Relief Fund). Expenses were normal, lower than usual due to continuing pandemic and lack of spending. Anticipated costs include: the Traveling Show (return postage, and printing costs in 2023), State Fair booth (\$500 projected), October Meeting in Bend (\$500 Room rental), and Traveling Workshop will have upcoming costs.

Communications Report: by Annali Cross

Guild Reports are mostly in, and will be uploaded to the website as possible. Kelly Drake will be assisting Annali C. in updating the website, and taking over some of the website duties. The WeGO Facebook page may currently be more up to date than the website, as it is easier to update.

Education: by Marlene Lloyd

The Fall Traveling Workshop is Pattie Huffer's "Beginning Rigid Heddle", which will be taught on: September 10, 11 in Portland, September 17,18 in Astoria, September 24, 25 in Bend, and October 1, 2 in Le Grande. A budget estimate will be sent to Annali Cross after this meeting.

2024 Workshops Suggestions:

Weaving Innovations with the Bateman Collection

8+ Shaft Classes for Intermediate and Advanced Weavers

Velvet Weaving by Barbara Sue Pickett

Split Shed Weaving by Deb Silver (based in Ohio)

Spinning Classes

Intermediate Class, possibly by Robin Spady

Please continue to send Marlene L. suggestions about 2024 workshops.

Traveling Show “Filaments”: by Sarah Mostkoff

Participating guilds need to sign the venue contract, and send it to Sarah M. Save the date postcards have been sent to the guilds, please be sure to continue to ask guild members to submit to the show. The Prospectus for the show is on the WeGO website, and the brochure is forthcoming. Submission will continue to be accepted until December 15th, 2022. The first stop of the Traveling Show will be in Roseburg, at the Umpqua Valley Arts Center. Sarah M. and Kelly Drake will collaborate to record the “Filaments” presentation so that it can be shared via zoom.

State Fair: by Dorald Stolz

This year's categories will remain condensed like last year, though Scarves will be separate. WeGO will cover the costs of shipping to the State Fair. Eugene Textile Center will be sponsoring the prizes of \$100 and \$50. WeGO will have a booth at the fair. The State Fair is moving towards Educational Displays, rather than hands-on demonstrations. Hand Dying may be added as a category for competition, which may involve dyed skeins, and finished dyed products as examples of dying. Multiple Guilds expressed interest in displaying dye work.

Will there be a Drop Off point for State Fair Goods?(Eugene Textiles was a Drop Point in 2021)

Any Guilds who would like to demonstrate weaving at the fair, please contact Dorald S. or Carrie R.

ANWEG: by Sue Walsh

All previous sponsors have been contacted, and only Pendleton Bags will not be sponsored. Eugene Textiles may sponsor in their palace. Heddlecraft will sponsor the Marketplace Madness. Lunatic Fringe will tentatively sponsor the fashion show booklet. Monthly blogs will be coming out, sign up to receive them at the ANWEG 2023 Website. Event insurance has been secured. A revised Budget for Riverhouse in Bend has been updated, and has been sent to Donna Wilson. This will be dropped into the minutes, rather than going through it during the meeting.

Vendor floor layout has been established, and vendors are making their deposits. 37 Workshops and 26 instructors will be at the conference. 630 is the maximum number of participants for the banquet, likely there will be a 600 person cut off. There will be a virtual component for instructors who are not based in the USA, as ANWEG has encountered challenges with instructors entering the USA in the past.

Award Ribbons are nearly done, Name Tags: 400 are woven and need lanyards. The registrar Janet Johnson will be using a program called RSVP book to handle all booking for the conference. Meetings for the ANWEG coordinators will be occurring every two months until June of 2023. The ANWEG treasurer is moving to Pennsylvania, and Annali Cross will be taking over her duties with ANWEG until June 2023. Thank you Annali!

If Guilds want a booth, contact Sue Walsh.

Tapestry Exhibit will be offsite in Bend, possibly at the college where the Traveling show was.

The Juried Show and Instructor Show will be mapped out in May by Cindy Fowler, shows will be judged by Susan Wilson.

Volunteers: if people want to attend the conference, and possibly be hosted by Guild Members.

Volunteers are being actively sought!

Jamie Taylor will be the Emcee.

For questions, comments, or concerns: contact Sue Walsh or Linda Getman.

Demonstrations: by Cynthia Newman

ANWEG Conference demonstrations are being sought for one hour time slots on Friday June 16 and Saturday June 17, 10am to 5pm. Please ask if your guild members would be interested in participating.

Guild Reports:

The representatives presented reports of their guilds' activities since the last meeting. Thank you all for sharing!

Election of the Executive Board: by Donna Wilson

Education Coordinator: Marlene Llyod will continue to serve until December of 2023.

Treasurer: Annali Cross will continue to serve until ANWEG in June of 2023.

Nominations are Open in Fall of 2022 for: President, Secretary, Communications Coordinator, and State Fair Coordinator.

Old Business:

Budgeting by Sarah Mostkoff

Eugene Handweavers increased their membership cost from \$25 to \$35 annually, with a discount if paid two years in at a time. Auctions will occur for guild fundraising. Brown Bag Workshops for guild members will occur after guild meetings for a cheaper price. They are creating a rental fund and shorter rental terms to encourage rentals. They are considering charging for hospitality (such as coffee, treats) at guild meetings. Eugene Handweavers is considering making the switch to a 501c3 organization. They are currently reconnecting with former Pre-Covid members. Halcyon and Woolery give a kick back for purchases made with the Eugene Weavers Code. Sarah M. will make a more complete write up of her budget discoveries and share them with the group.

New Business:

WeGO will rerun the advertisement for the Goblins Tapestry Loom and supplies for \$1500, please share that this is for sale with your guild members. Contact Lisa Krebs if you have questions. The Damascus School of Art (Joanne Duncan) may be interested in purchasing it. Kathy Todd Hooker in Eugene may be interested. ANWEG will run it in their classified advertisements.

Next Meeting:

Fall 2022: in person in Bend, Oregon on October 22, 2022.

Spring 2023: via Zoom, April 15, 2023.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:55pm, April 16th, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra del Nero (Secretary)