## Contemporary Quilt and Fiber Artists CQAFA 12/11/2023

The meeting started with a lovely holiday dinner featuring delicious soups, yummy sides and fabulous desserts. The business part of the evening was called to order at 7:00 by co-chairs Judy Levy and Judy Shaffer.

Approval for the November 13, 2023 meeting minutes were approved per motion by Cynthia Supe.

Sunshine/Shadows – Linda Whittenburg announced the re-opening of Cabin Arts as an art gallery. Judy Levy announced the upcoming heart surgery that Noel will be having. We wished positive outcomes for this procedure. Carol Lang is having shoulder surgery on January 11. We wished her a quick recovery.

Treasurer's Report: Helen Springer provided the Treasurer's report. At the end balance at 11/30/23, CQAFA has \$4,315.20. The annual audit will be done in early January.

Judy Levy and Judy Shaffer provided their 2022-2023 State of the Guild report as this was their last meeting of their 2-year term. Their comments follow.

Election for 2024 – 2025 Board: Per the slate provided by the nominating committee, the following were unanimously approved to serve:

- o Co-Presidents Kim Pickard and Marcia Tuznik
- o Co Vice-Presidents-Katherine Durack and Diane Glos
- Secretary-Cindy Supe
- o Treasurer-Tonya Dunning

The meeting adjourned at 7:45

Respectfully Submitted.

Barb Stewart, Secretary

We want to thank you for giving us the opportunity to be co- presidents of this wonderful group of extremely talented artists. This has been a rewarding 2 years. We are so happy, although it scared the crap out of us, we said yes when asked. When you receive the gift of a request to step into a position, we hope that you too will enjoy the experience as much as we have.

Here is our 2023 "state of the guild" address. During our second year we continued to strive to meet our initial goals.

- -We hoped to increase our membership and enhance our presence in the community.
- -To increase process sharing and communications, and
- -to get to know and support each other better.

## Here's what and how we did it:

- -We achieved our communication goals. Our blast e-mails have proved to be an effective method to communicate with all members. In fact, it's never been easier to send out messages.
- -We were ab le to enhance CQAFA's presence in the community by exhibiting our work in <a href="three">three</a> shows this year; The Barn, The Gathering of the Guilds, and our most successful ever, Cincinnati Nature Center show.
- -Our local merchants have continued to extend discounts to our members.
- -We have exhausted the supply of our biz-zillion business cards and need to re-order.
- -And we have attracted 20 new members, bringing our membership up to 52.
- -Our treasury is in good fiscal shape. Proudly, we have maintained the balance were entrusted with when our term began.
- -We hope you have enjoyed our monthly short tutorials AKA "toots"
- -We managed to schedule one field trip this year, to the Athens Dairy Barn. We have ideas for future field trips, but that is up to the new board.