

New England Lace Group Meeting, January 18, 2014

Executive Board Attendance: Sharon Sacco, President; Bryce Wolf, Vice President; Patty Foley (late arrival), Treasurer and Membership.

Executive Board Absent: Gail MacLean, Newsletter Editor; Librarian, Clerk, and Member-at-Large unfilled positions.

Member and Guest Attendees: Rita Bartholomew, Linda Lane, Jim Martin, Carolyn Wetzel.

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 a.m.

President – Sharon Sacco

- A Treasurer's report was provided showing fiscal status as of Nov. 30, 2013. No significant changes in budget or expenditures were noted. Bryce Wolf moved to accept the report; Linda Lane seconded; the report was accepted unanimously.
- Membership was reported as 90 paid members as of the end of Nov. 2013, with 33 memberships lapsed.
- Minutes of the meetings of Nov. 16, 2013 and Dec. 21, 2013 were passed around for review. Both sets of minutes were approved unanimously upon motions moved by Bryce Wolf and seconded by Jim Martin.
- Carolyn Wetzel has agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee. However, at least one additional member is needed. Doris Schick has served on the committee in the recent past and is willing to assist as a consultant.
- Sr. Claire has reported that 45 pieces of lace (primarily stars and snowflakes) have been received, for which she is both thrilled and thankful. This is the sort of project that represents a good opportunity for all members to contribute to the lace community.
- Patty Foley will be presenting a program on lace at the Tolland Public Library on Jan. 28. Lacemakers are encouraged to join her to demonstrate lacemaking.
- The American Textile History Museum in Lowell has been in contact regarding possible demonstrations, workshops, classes. Sharon will follow up. There may be opportunities of mutual benefit.
- Registration for our annual May Retreat begins on Feb. 1, with forms available in the newsletter and on-line. The teachers will be Holly Van Sciver and Ulrike Voelcker. Silent auction items are being collected by Bryce Wolf and Clare Settle.
- Information is still being researched regarding obtaining non-profit status for NELG.

Program – Bryce Wolf

- February: Sharon Sacco will lead a program giving instruction in making a Teneriffe heart. The program is free, but participants must register so that sufficient materials can be provided. There may be a door prize for attendees.
- March: Doris Schick will lead us in a program on lace identification.
- April: Not yet determined. Possibilities include tatting instruction or an outside speaker. Suggestions for programs are always appreciated.

At 12:00 Bryce Wolf motioned the meeting to adjourn; Carolyn Wetzel seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Bryce Wolf