New England Lace Group Meeting, February 18, 2017

Executive Board Attendance: Sharon Sacco, President; Jim Martin, Vice President; Bryce Wolf, Librarian; Marjorie Dashef, Clerk; Kate Moore, Member at Large

Members and Guests: Janet Blanchard, Winann Steinmetz, Linda Lane, Judy Jeon-Chapman, Malin Goodwin, Rita Bartholomew, Carmen Bartholomew, Beverly Gamble, Beth Parkes, Susan Landry, Laura Bensley

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 A.M.

Sharon Sacco began by suggesting we go around and introduce ourselves because there were new faces in the audience.

Minutes: The minutes from the January 21 were presented for approval. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Bryce Wolf and seconded by Judy Jeon-Chapman. They were unanimously accepted

Member At Large: Kate Moore requested that members should enter their volunteer hours (especially for 2016) as soon as possible. She explained that under our IOLI charter we are supposed to demonstrate Lace.

Retreat: Winann Steinmetz announced that 17 registered. 7 people have registered for Kim David's class. There is room for 3 more 3 people have registered for Holly Van Sciver's class. March 1st is the deadline for ordering bobbins in order to get them delivered at the retreat. Claire Settle is coordinating the silent auction. Bryce Wolf is collecting items for eastern MA. At this time Winann is believes that Kim Davis will be the speaker on Saturday night.

Reminder: There is a scholarship fund. The committee members are Barbara Morrow and Janet Blanchard.

35th **Anniversary:** NELG is about to celebrate its 35th anniversary. For the 20th Penny Pip brought in a cake; for the 25th Jill Hawkins coordinated a tea with raffle and for the 30th Patty Foley coordinated a luncheon with a speaker on wire lace. Suggestions made were Karen Thompson speaking about Ipswich Lace, the Ipswich Museum (Linda Lane will get information on what we can do there), or getting in a speaker. Sharon is looking for committee members.

Nominating committee: Sharon needs to be replaced as president. The Member at Large is the other position that needs to be voted on this year. Sharon is looking for committee members.

Contribution to the Sacred Heart: suggestions include passing a hat; % of silent auction; having a collection box. We would want the money to go toward the conservation effort – repairs to buildings, etc.

Vice President's Report: Jim Martin went over upcoming meeting agendas

March: Rita Bartholomew with the help of her daughter will teach making of lace netting. Please register for this by the end of February as supplies need to be ordered.

April: We will be visiting Carolyn Samonds in Amherst, MA with possible lunch at restaurant afterwards. Please register for this event as Jim does not want to put address online.

May: Our annual retreat with classes, silent auction and ATC challenge. The bobbin design is that of an osprey.

Bryce Wolf moved that the meeting be adjourned and Susan Landry seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Dashef, Clerk