

## NELG Meeting Minutes: 19 June 2022

(Meeting held online by Zoom due to on-going Covid-19 pandemic)

### Attendees:

Carolyn Wetzel, Barbara Morrow, Jill Hawkins, Gail MacLean, Bryce Wolf, Mary Mangan, Sr. Madeleine Cleverly, Jennifer Dahlmann, Linda Dahlmann, Marjorie Dashef, MaryLou Ricci, Kathy Draves, Lillian Goldberg, Rita Bartholomew, Carmen Bartholomew, Sharon Sacco, Clare Settle, Lina Kukolich

- I. Meeting called to order at 11:05. It was announced that the meeting would be recorded.
- II. Attendees typed names in the chat for entry into the attendance raffle.
- III. The minutes from the [May meeting](#) were approved.
- IV. Elections
  - A. Vice President - On the ballot was Clare Settle with Rosalie Bares for assistance and back-up
  - B. Treasurer - on ballot was Barbara Morrow
  - C. Votes
    1. Paper ballots:
      - a) Clare Settle 1 yes (write-in), 0 no, 1 abstain (note that one ballot was received before Clare was put on the ballot)
      - b) Barbara Morrow 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
    2. E-voting:
      - a) Clare Settle 17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
      - b) Barbara Morrow 17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
    3. Live:
      - a) Clare Settle 6 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain
      - b) Barbara Morrow 8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
  - D. Jill H said she would set up the Gmail accounts for Clare and Rosalie
- V. Officer and Committee Reports
  - A. President -
    1. Rosalie Bares was appointed as NELG Clerk/Secretary
  - B. VP/Programs
    1. Members were requested to send program ideas to Clare Settle & Rosalie Bares ([nelgprograms@gmail.com](mailto:nelgprograms@gmail.com))
    2. There was discussion about how we will decide about returning to in-person meetings. It was determined to be a Board decision. For hyflex meetings (in-person and on Zoom) we need to work on technology for better audio and video feeds. It was suggested to ask the CT spinning group for ideas. Barbara and Clare will be working on it. Mary M suggested the ["owl" device](#). [Carolyn W checked it out - it costs \$1049 +, so out of our price range]
  - C. Library - Some new books were purchased at retreat and are being added to the catalog along with some donations.
  - D. Treasurer - Barbara is still working on the May report. She needs to create new line items/categories for newer types of activities. She will be moving spreadsheets to the Treasurer's Google drive for back-up.
  - E. Retreat - Nothing to report other than that the Chris Parsons bobbins are still in process.
  - F. Newsletter - Gail said that the next issue comes out at the beginning of August and to submit articles by July 25th.
  - G. Member-at-large

1. Jill said that we need to collect volunteer time. We should have a lot of hours related to the Ipswich exhibit! Our hours are reported on a calendar year basis.
2. The Big E Creative Arts will be Sept 16 - Oct 2. Entry forms are now live on the Big E website. You can also sign up for demonstration times on the website and need to do this by a deadline so that parking tickets can be sent.
3. Other demonstration ideas were suggested:
  - a) Waltham - Watch City festival, steampunk theme, usually in spring ~May
  - b) Gore Place - April sheep shearing (Linda Lane, Lies usually went)
  - c) Guilford CT Oct 22
  - d) Fiber Festival in November
  - e) Old Sturbridge Village - autumn

H. Website - no report

I. Scholarships - no recent requests

#### VI. Ipswich Project Update:

- A. The grant from IOLI was received, the money is in place and can be spent.
- B. The poster is being finalized.
  1. Mary got the required licenses, MFA had to be paid for theirs
  2. Museums have specific demands for credits
  3. Legal details are being addressed
  4. They are currently working on the amount of wording on the poster. There are 2 versions, one with more details that can stand alone, one that is abbreviated to have at demos augmented with live presenters.
  5. They want to print it on fabric for easier storage and transport. Kara Q might have a source for it.
  6. Gail said they had a "soft opening" of the display at the Guilford fair last week. There was good feedback, some people read it carefully.
  7. They need plastic "banker" boxes instead of cardboard for better weather protection.
  8. Gail is tracking expenses, keeping track of IOLI vs NELG paid items separately.
- C. It was recommended to have a dedicated page on our website for the Ipswich project.
- D. It was suggested to have a cart and inventory list for "checking out" the display to take to demos.
- E. Gail will drive the display to locations as needed and will meet people halfway. If you want to do this, be sure to schedule ahead of time with Gail.
- F. Locations to take the exhibit: Talk in Maine museum [?]; WBUR Hidden History is working with Karen T and Mary M about doing a segment. It was suggested to try the Peabody Essex Museum and the Wadsworth Atheneum.

#### VII. Announcements

1. Passing of Doris Schick. There was a memorial service in CO, there will be a funeral in South Glastonbury CT on July 2nd. An obituary will be in the next newsletter, along with commentary by Doris May and Laura Bensley.
2. Ithaca Retreat new dates and location were announced (September 15-18, Casowasco Camp in Moravia, NY).
3. Attendance Raffle drawing winners: Kathy Draves and Winnan Steimetz

Adjourned at: 12:42 pm

After meeting discussion:

Clare suggested having a members-only equipment sales/exchange place on the NELG website