

MidAtlantic Fiber Association Representatives Assembly
May 4, 2019 3:00 pm
4-H Hall, Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival

Board Members Attending:

Karen Miller, President
Charlene Marietti, 1st VP; Communications
Theresa Hill, 2nd VP: Conference
Marla Campbell, Treasurer
Margaret Briggs, Membership Chair
Patty Chrisman, Secretary

Guild Representatives Attending:

Canaan Weavers, Carla Brenner and Val Mayor
Central PA Guild of Handweavers, Ann Wysock (alt.)
Central Virginia Fiberarts Guild, Margaret Briggs
Chesapeake Weavers, Pat Capogrossi
Fiber Guild of the Blue Ridge, Kathy Reed
Frances Irwin Handweavers, Patty Chrisman (alt.)
Fredericksburg Spinners and Weavers Guild, Aileen Campbell
Handweavers of Bucks County, Chris Field-Funk
Jockey Hollow Weavers Guild, Elisa Eiger (alt.)
Lancaster Spinners & Weavers, Ann Wysock
Loyalhannon Spinners, Diana Danko (alt.)
Mountain Homespun Fiber Guild, Deb Clemens
New York Guild of Handweavers, Charlene Marietti
North Country Spinners, Patty Chrisman
Palisades Guild of Spinners & Weavers, Linda Pierson
Philadelphia Guild of Handweavers, Nancy Nagle
Potomac Fiber Arts Guild, Diana Guenther
South Jersey Guild of Spinners & Handweavers, Helena Valentine
Susquehanna Valley Spinners & Weavers Guild, Cecile Stiner
Third Star Fiber Artist's Guild, Melissa Messina (alt.)
Three Rivers Fiber Focus, Angela Fishman, Debbie Hadfield
Warped Weavers Guild, Barbara Richter
Waterford Weavers, Meg Lundsager
Weavers Guild of Greater Baltimore, Pat Capogrossi and Debbie Herrin
Westfield Weavers Guild, Gretchen Fancher
Walk In Arts Center (WIAC) Fiber Guild, Lorraine Felker, Debbie Gilbert
Woodstock Weavers, Ingrid Anderson (alt.).

Welcome

President Karen Miller welcomed all attendees and called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm. She gave an overview of the upcoming conference and emphasized the important role of the Guild Representatives, as conduits to the Board and Committees.

Minutes

The minutes of the Reps Meeting held via teleconference meeting October 9, 2018, were approved as posted.

Treasurer's Report (Treasurer Marla Campbell)

Marla Campbell submitted the following report:

Current Balances as of May 1, 2019

18 month CD	75,000.00
Money Market	51,695.98
Checking	272,118.38
Total Assets	398,814.36

(See attached financial statement)

Nominating Committee Report (Past President/Nominating Committee Chair Elisa Eiger)

Elisa submitted the following report of the Nominating Committee (Elisa Eiger, Jockey Hollow Weavers Guild) and Carol Steuer (New York Guild of Handweavers):

In accordance with the bylaws of the MidAtlantic Fiber Association, Article VII Section 2, the election of officers will take place on Saturday, June 29 at the 2019 Conference. These officers will serve for the term that starts October 1, 2019 and ends September 30, 2021.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following slate of officers for the MidAtlantic Fiber Association's October 2019 to September 2021 cycle.

- for President: Helena Valentine (South Jersey Guild of Spinners and Handweavers)
- for First Vice President: Sara Robbins (Philadelphia Guild of Handweavers)
- for Second Vice President: Margaret Briggs (Central Virginia Fiberarts Guild)
- for Treasurer: Marla Campbell (Central Virginia Fiberarts Guild)
- for Secretary: Patty Chrisman (North Country Spinners (NJ))

The election will be held Saturday, June 29, at the Reps Breakfast. Details of the time and location to be announced.

In addition, the Nominating Committee nominates the following individuals for the next Nominating Committee:

- Elisa Eiger (Jockey Hollow Weavers (NJ))
- Karen Miller (Foothills Spinners and Weavers Guild (VA))

There remains an opening for a third member of the next Nominating Committee.

Conference Report (Conference Chair Theresa Hill) Theresa reported that the Conference is sold out with a total of 435 students registered. The deadline to submit for the Fashion Show and the Art Show has been extended to May 19. The deadline to register for Spinning Games is June 1. The deadline to complete online registration for the Towel Exchange and the Skein Competition is June 22.

There are many events (e.g. Market Place) available for day trippers even if not taking a class, including housing in the dorms at Millersville University.

Ann Wysock collected the Guilds' contributions to the MAFA Goody Bags and Theresa Hill offered a thank you to all the guilds for their participation.

Several ideas pertaining to the upcoming Conference were discussed:

- The idea of providing a Box Lunch for those attendees wanting to leave right away on Sunday without eating at the dining hall. The option of offering an "upgrade" to a "deluxe" box lunch for an additional fee was floated, but seemed an unnecessary complication. The box lunch option will be included in an email survey.
- Collecting the badge holders at the end of the conference for re-use at future conferences.
- Discussion about whether every attendee would want a water bottle. Consensus was that if there was a MAFA Conference logo, most would want one.
- Possibility of "networking tables" that would be posted and marked for use by different states, or guild officers etc. This would likely be at either Friday or Saturday lunchtime. Details to be announced at a later date.

Conference Communications Report (First Vice President Charlene Marietti)

Charlene discussed the website and the amount of information available. There really is a need for a central location for up to date information, and the website is ideal. Guild Reps really need to promote and educate their guilds about the website and what it has to offer.

Conference Volunteers Report (Membership Chair/Volunteer Coordinator Margaret Briggs)

Many volunteer opportunities remain and will be included in the Reps Newsletter. It was emphasized that prior experience is not necessary for volunteer positions. Discussion about the opportunity for guilds to contribute to "Guild Profiles."

Grants/Fellowship Committee Report (President Karen Miller for Grants Chair Mary Strouse)

Karen reported that there were a record number of applicants for Fellowships this year. The Board increased the number of fellowships from 4 to 8 because of the strength of the applications. It is not too early to start thinking about Guild Grants. The deadline for the application is November 1. These are grants awarded to guilds for guild activities that support MAFA's mission.

Other Business

The Reps Meeting will be Saturday morning of the conference. Details of time and location to be announced.

Adjourn

Upon motion by Margaret Briggs; Second by Kathy Reed; the meeting was adjourned at 3:43 pm.

Submitted by

Patty Chrisman, Secretary

MAFA
Balance Sheet
As of May 1, 2019

	May 1, 19
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
18 Month CD - Matures 6/1/20	75,000.00 ¹
Bus Money Market	51,695.98
Checking Bus Adv Plus	272,118.38 ²
Total Checking/Savings	398,814.36
Total Current Assets	398,814.36
TOTAL ASSETS	398,814.36
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Fellowships	2,400.00 ³
Grants Final Payment	765.00 ⁴
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,165.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,165.00
Total Liabilities	3,165.00
Equity	
Retained Earnings	152,131.68
Net Income	243,517.68
Total Equity	395,649.36
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	398,814.36

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Balance Sheet
As of May 1, 2019

- 1. Interest earned to date on the CD is \$621.73

- 2. Includes unrestricted funds in the amounts of \$29.46 from Amazon Smile and \$363 in uncategorized donations. Also included is restricted funds (must be used in the manor indicated by the donor) in the amounts of \$275.15 in the Allen Fannin fund and \$89.50 in the Ellen Dorosh fund.

- 3. 2019 Fellowships to be paid in the fall of 2019 if requirements are met.

- 4. Final grant amount to be paid to Weavers Guild of Greater Baltimore if all requirements are met by 2/15/2020.