

**Arizona Federation of Weavers and Spinners, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**July 24, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Ruth Greenspan, President at 10:09 AM via Zoom

**Present:**

Ruth Greenspan, President	AZ Desert Weavers & Spinners
Carol Byrne, Treasurer	Weavers West
Pam Chumbley, Secretary	Weavers West
Debbi Brunner, Past President	Valley Fiber Art Guild
Louisa Ballard, Guild Representative	Fiber Arts of Northern Arizona
Sue Durling	Valley Fiber Arts Guild
Esther Federman, Guild Representative	Weavers West
Ed Koharik, Guild Representative	Tucson Handweavers and Spinners
Jolene Northrup, Guild Representative	Valley Fiber Art Guild
Paula Rudnick, Guild Representative	Mountain Spinners and Weavers & Telarana; proxy for AZ Desert Weavers and Spinners
Sue Sitko, Guild Representative	Twisted Threads
Nancy Wilson, Guild Representative	Verde Valley Weavers and Spinners

<b>Absent:</b> Mary Humme, Vice President	Sun City Artistic Weavers
Deb Moroney, Guild Representative	Bisbee Fiber Arts Guild

**Quorum:** 9 of the 11 guilds were represented, quorum achieved  
Minutes were approved with one correction.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Debbi Brunner reported that the \$10K Linder Fund should be moved from checking to a separate fund. Discussion about what the Linder Fund was followed. It was moved and seconded that the Linder Fund be moved to an interest-bearing instrument by the treasurer. Proposed 2021-22 budget was approved as presented (see attached report and budget).

**Old Business:**

- Bylaws discussion was tabled to a later date when Mary Humme would be present
- The consensus was that we need to encourage all guilds to have representation and not to encourage one person to represent multiple guilds except in special circumstances.
- It was proposed and planned to have a forum in fall of 2021 for Guild Representative and Guild presidents to determine how the Federation can best serve each guild.

- Pam Chumbley reported that she had scanned the guild representative's notebook and will create a new digital file of that information to easily share with new representatives.

- **Virtual Traveling Teacher Proposal Update**

Pam Chumbley reported on optimizing our website so that it is easier to find in a web search. She reported her findings on the best format for us to use for virtual presentations to the guilds.

Recommended: that we use YOUTUBE Live for future traveling teacher presentations and maintain a YouTube library of our recorded programs.

Recommended: All contracted Traveling Teachers have in their contract the ability to record/present through a digital format using their own equipment.

- **Guild Representative Template**

Pam Chumbley presented a proposed template for guild representatives to submit reports three times a year. Comments were made to add additional information. (see attached)

## **New Business**

- Form for Guild Representative adopted with additional topics. Form will be sent to Guild Representative by the secretary prior to designated submission dates as posted.

- **Discussion: Federation Purpose and Direction**

A brainstorming discussion followed. The consensus was that the Federation support ongoing weaving and spinning events, like AZ Fiber Arts Retreat (AFAR) and Flagstaff Wool Festival in ways that are appropriate per our bylaws. We should also embrace the desire for educational opportunities by the guilds by providing programing that already exists in the virtual realm.

- **Update of Federation Website:**

Ruth will contact Lita Doeskin about her willingness to continue as webmaster. Possible redesign of website to make it more user friendly.

## **Next Meeting:**

**Saturday, September 11, 2021 2 PM Arizona Time, Zoom format**

Agenda to include:

- planning for Guild Outreach Forum
- And Bylaws review