

TVR Board Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2007

The annual meeting of Tennessee Valley Region Board of Directors was called to order by Gwen Nelson, TVR Region Director, on November 2, 2007, at 9:05a.m. The meeting was held at the First Presbyterian Church, Kingsport, Tn. Margaret Steincamp, TVR Secretary, was present. A quorum was present.

The minutes were approved with one correction (newsletters are sent to the national reviewer only).

Treasurer's Report: Lisa Dunn, Treasurer, presented the balance sheet and profit/loss statement. She also reported a membership increase.

By-laws & Standing Rules: Dorothy Graves, Chairman, reminded the chapters whose by-laws are up for review to have them in before the end of the year.

Education: Rissa Peace Root, Chairman, reminded chapters to use the TVR grant money. Education grant requests should go to Gwen Nelson first with receipts. Money should be spent by March 31. Rissa expressed concern that TVR had no nominee for the Gold Thread Award.

Exhibits: Dorothy Graves, Chairman, announced upcoming exhibits at National Headquarters. The official name of headquarters is now "EGA Embroidery Museum and Resource Center.

Motion: Nancy Pardue, Iris, moved to investigate the possibility of having an exhibit of stitched pieces by TVR members during National Seminar in 2008. The motion was seconded and passed. Dorothy Graves will look into this.

Historian: Donna Etkin, Chairman, asked that all reports be sent to her as well as to Ellen and Lois.

Newsletter: Ellen Daniels, Editor, reported that 221 TVR Newsletters are currently be sent by e-mail. Copies of chapter newsletters should be sent to the national newsletter reviewer Suzanne Kaye as well as to Ellen. She also asked that changes in e-mail addresses be reported to her in a timely manner.

Nominations: Vera Grimsley, Chairman, reported that the national nominating committee open position is non-TVR.

Membership: Heidi Smithers, Chairman, would like to receive copies of chapter membership reports.

Outreach: Lois Threlkeld, ARD & Chairman, reported that many chapters have several outreach projects in place. The “kissing pillows” for soldiers going overseas has been very successful. Gwen Nelson has digitized the design and will share if you would like to make pillows with machine embroidery.

TVR Web Site: Gwen Nelson, RD, reporting for Tink Boord-Dill requests that all web information be sent to her first. Check the web site for corrections. Do not forget web release forms.

SASXXXVI: Gwen Nelson, Chairman, asked this SAS be removed from further agendas.

SASXXXVII: Lois Threlkeld, Chairman, gave highlights of the seminar and presented Gwen with a check for \$7160.91 as TVR's share of the profits. The books for SASXXXVII are now closed.

SASXXXVIII: Fay Shaw, Chairman, reported that things are progressing for the seminar in June. The seminar will be at the Memphis Hilton (free parking and \$99.00 room rate. They still need addresses from some chapters. On Thursday evening the SAS Advisory passed a motion to have registrations go out within the next two weeks.

SASXXXVIII: Catherine Talley, Chairman, and Linda Mathews, Co-chairman, announced that the logo and budget have both been approved. They requested \$3000.00 in seed money. There will be ten classes and one section of Studio Time. Names of teachers and their proposed projects have been submitted to TVR and National for approval.

SASXXX: Host chapter needed.

Unfinished Business:

A pedestal has been requested as our gift but has not yet been purchased. The amount of our gift is \$750.00.

The TVR basket for National Seminar 2007 received 406 tickets and was much appreciated.

Proposed 2008 Budget: Rissa Peace Root moved to table the budget until after the lunch break. The motion was seconded and approved.

Election of Nominating Committee members: Gwen Nelson, RD, called for nomination from the floor. No nominations from the floor were received. Rissa Peace Root moved that the nominations to be closed. The motion was seconded and approved.

Vera Grimsley, Nominations Committee Chairman, moved to accept the nominees. The motion passed.

Annual Giving: Nancy Pardue, Iris Chapter, moved to donate \$1000 to the Annual Giving fund. TVR will donate \$630 in the name of each TVR chapter (\$30 per chapter) and \$370 from the region. The motion was seconded and passed.

Meeting suspended at 12:00p.m.

Meeting resumed at 12:43p.m.

Changes made to the proposed budget: Other – from Retained Earnings from \$2435.00 to \$2875.00; Annual giving of \$1000 added; \$350.00 was added for National Seminar.

Motion: Mary Lou Able, Louisville, moved to amend the proposed budget. The motion was seconded and passed.

Motion: Carol Gardner, Majestic Mountains, moved to accept the amended budget. The motion was seconded and passed.

New Business:

2008 Gift Basket for National Seminar was determined at the June meeting.

Change in By-laws submission schedule has not been set.

Dues submission will change to once a year. Details will be forthcoming.

There will be a \$3.00 dues increase beginning in January, 2008. Increase is necessary to cover operating expenses. Many cost saving measures have been put in place.

The Knoxville Chapter enjoyed a field trip to the new headquarters and museum. However many of the members were concerned about the handling of the collection and the choice of exhibits. Gwen Nelson will write a letter to headquarters expressing these concerns.

The next meeting will be June 19, 2008, in Memphis, Tn.

Motion: Rissa Peace Root, Cyberstitchers, moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed.

Margaret Steincamp, Secretary TVR