

ANWG Annual Membership Meeting Minutes  
Oxford Suites, Jantzen Beach, Portland Or  
May 19, 2018

President Linda Gettmann called the meeting to order at 10 AM.

She introduced the attending board members:

President: Linda Gettmann, Secretary: Melanie Smith,  
Treasurer: Rae Deane Leatham, Membership Chair: Liz Moncrief,  
Communications Chair/Newsletter Editor: Ila McCallum,  
Education Chair and Webmaster: Isabelle Fusey, and Prince George Conference rep.: Serena Black.

Linda made a call for written questions for the board.

Determination of a quorum and formal adoption of the agenda- Melanie S. reported that a quorum had been met.

Approval of 2017 AMM minutes- Joy Winther made a motion to accept the minutes, Liz seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's report (see attached) A question was asked if grants will be available in the future. The answer is yes, as long as there are profits from future conferences. As many as possible will be distributed with profits from the conferences. It's vital that we, as board members and reps, encourage attendance to conferences to ensure future grants will be available.

### **Committee Reports**

Membership – Liz (see attachment). Liz is working on getting buses or other transportation to help with attendance at the Prince George conference. The cost may be around \$300, but will make it more relaxing to travel. Once a cost and plan route is a bit more firm, a survey will be added to the website to see what the interest level is. Look for more information to come on the website.

Communications – Ila (see attachment) Please look for reminders to submit information to the newsletter, We are looking for short, concise information on what your guild is doing.

Education Chair- Isabelle- 25 grants were awarded out of 37 applicants. The following guilds received grants this round:

**Arachne, WA:** Sheep to Shawl – Spinning to Weave

**Billings, MT:** Triad Dyeing Workshop

**Cent. Oregon – Klamath Falls, OR:** September Weave, Spin, Dye Retreat

**Clatsop, OR:** 3 Day Intensive Dyeing Extravaganza!

**Coquitlam, BC:** From West to East, a convergence: Exploring the weaving and fiber arts of Japan

**Denman Island, BC:** Denman Island Sheep Count

**Kalamalka Guild, Vernon BC:** Immersion Dyeing Workshop

**Kamloops, BC:** Needle Felting Workshops

**Kimberley and District Guild, BC:** Felted Vessels

**Langley, BC:** Introduction to professional product photography for fiber artists

**Missoula, MT:** Willard Alternative High School/Flagship After-School Fiber Arts Program

**North Olympic, WA:** Inge Dam workshop and Guild Program – Pebble Weaving with Tablets Meets Fabric Weaving: Tablet weaving combined with loom weaving

**Peninsula Weavers, WA:** Sprang Workshop

**Ponderosa, BC:** Wearables Guild Challenge

**Portland, OR:** The Banner Project -Kids weaving on rigid-heddle looms

**Qualicum, BC:** A Year of Teaching Ourselves

**Rogue Valley, OR:** Extreme Warp Makeover workshop

**Saturday Handweavers, Medford, OR:** Jennifer Moore Double Rainbow Workshop

**Shuswap Spinners and Weavers, BC :** Three Workshops – Weaving, Spinning and Felting

**Skagit Valley, WA:** Color Confidence Workshop

**Spokane, WA:** Celebrating 70 years of Weaving – Exhibit

**Threadbenders, OR:** Rebecca Winter The Shadow Knows (shadow weave) workshop

**Umpqua , Roseburg, OR:** Umpqua Fiber Fest

**Whidbey Island, WA:** Introduction to Tapestry Weaving, a three-day workshop with Terry Olson

-Isabelle announced the start of a Historical draft study group for members that will start on the website and meet at the Prince George conference.

### **Accomplishments This Past Year:**

- Isabelle and the board have worked hard this past year on updating the website, and added a new feature- A Member gallery of photos. Be sure to check it frequently for new additions.
- A new ANWG logo has been created.
- A Conference liaison committee has been created to help future conference planners have support with planning.
- Ila has made many improvements to the newsletter. It will now be offered digitally and as a PDF, so that it can easily be printed for non-tech members to read.

Questions for the board- There were no questions for the board.

2019 Confluences Conference at Prince George, BC June 16-19<sup>th</sup> - Serena Black presented a power point presentation on the upcoming conference, including things to see in Prince George and enroute to the conference. Registration will be in January 2019.

Show and Share - Many lovely items were available from attending guilds. The following were awarded bragging rights.

Most inspirational : Eugene Weavers Guild with Brazilwood Squares

Best use of color: Jean Cockelreas from the Salem Fiber arts Guild (huck a back tea towel)

Best weaving and best overall: Vila Cox from the Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley (silk scarf)

The meeting was adjourned. See you all in Prince George in June 2019

# Financial Report, AMM May 19, 2018

## ANWG Income and Expenses

### July 2017 - June 2018

	Estimated	Actuals
<b>Income:</b>		
Membership dues	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,221.00
Victoria conference	\$10,000	\$10,000.00
Seed money repayment		
Victoria conference profit	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$14,964.43</u>
Surplus/ <b>Deficit</b>	\$ 24,200	\$29,185.43
<b>Total Income to date</b>		<b>\$29,185.43</b>

	Estimated	Actuals
<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>		
2017 AMM & Board meeting	\$ 700	\$ 612.43
2018 Bd meeting PG	\$ 5000	\$ 0.00
2018 AMM, Bd. mtg. Port.	\$ 2500	TBD.
D & O (EPP) Insurance	\$ 725	\$ 714.00
Website fees & maint.	\$ 100	\$ 419.74
Administration	<u>\$ 100</u>	<u>\$ 60.00</u>
(Wa state, Chase, Misc.)	\$9,125	\$1,816.17
<b>Total Expenditures to date</b>		<b>\$1816.17</b>
<b>Balance Income/Expenses to May 2018</b>		<b>\$27,369.26</b>

<b>Loans(Seed Money)/Assets Summary</b>			<b>Repayment</b>
Conference Disbursements			<b>/To be disbursed</b>
	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	
2017 Victoria			\$10,000.00
2019 Prince George	\$10,000	\$5,000.00	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>
<b>Net conference seed money</b>			<b>\$4,000.00</b>

ANWG Account (savings + checking) May 2018	<b>\$50,193.48</b>
Portland AMM (estimated) May 2018	<b>\$ 4800.00</b>
Seed money to be disbursed	<b>\$ 6000.00</b>
Total guild grant awards to be disbursed in 2018	<b>\$15,000.00</b>

Account Balance July 2018 **\$24,393.48**

**Submitted by Rae Deane Leatham, Treasurer 2017-2019**

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT, May 2018**  
**Liz Moncrief, Membership Chair**  
**2018 Members Meeting**

Membership Summary as of May 2018

4151 Individual Members within the guilds  
87 Guilds Up from 85 in 2017 two of our guilds are affiliate Guilds  
Montana Association of Weavers and Spinners  
Weavers Guilds of Oregon  
3 Guilds chose not to renew

Total membership count from renewed guilds, US = 2598  
Total membership count from renewed guilds, CA = 1553  
Total guilds renewed, US = 50  
Total guilds renewed, CA = 37

In comparison, over a four-year period, 2015-2018:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Individual member count	3824	4138	4074	4151
Guild count	84	85	85	87

The low numbers in 2015 may have been a result of not having a conference in that year.

There has been an increase of 77 individual members between 2017 and 2018, and we've been fortunate to acquire 3 new guilds: Plain Weavers and Spinners out of Leavenworth, WA, Prairie Fiber Arts Collective out of Airdrie Alberta, and Prairie Hand Spinners out of Park City Montana.

This increase of 3 guilds could be associated with the challenge grant opportunity this year. The review panel was unable to view the guild names as the applications were presented, so I can't confirm this.

As a side note to both the board and the general membership, I've been inquiring into charter busses for the 2019 Conference in Prince George. The options are numerous but could include pick-up points along the I-5 corridor starting in Portland to Seattle, to Bellingham to Vancouver and then north to Prince George. One of the bus lines does business in various other small cities in OR and WA and could arrange for pick-ups in several other locations. If the board wants me to pursue this option, I'd like to query the membership about this possibility. I think that this option could greatly enhance US participation in the 2019 conference.

I do have just a couple of 'major awards' to hand out so I hope my guilds Reps are here today...

**Kathy Nelson of the Klamath Spinners and Weavers Guild, Klamath Falls OR**

Klamath was our first 2018 dues payer, which makes me happy and busy

**Georgan Curran of the Arachne Weavers Guild, Milton WA**

Arachne was our second-place winner

And for the first Guild to respond to our challenge of submitting photos for the webpage  
Members Gallery: Ila McCallum, Salem Fiber Arts  
Anita Salmon, Victoria Handweavers and Spinners Guild  
And Guild reports for the Newsletter:  
**Dee Mucha, Desert Fiber Arts** for her recent contribution – accepted by Karen Lamar

*REMINDER... ANWG Guild Dues are due and payable Sept. 1 –  
Don't be alarmed when you receive the 'due' announcement that day. You'll have a  
recommended 30 days to get your checks into me.*

Communications Chair report to ANWG board, May 18, 2018

Since being appointed at Communications Chair/Newsletter Editor in September 2017 I have published the following newsletters:

Fall 2017 in September 2017 – in PDF format

Winter 2018 in January 2018 – in HTML and PDF

Spring 2018 in April 2018 – in HTML and PDF

I have also assisted in the publication of several other e-mailings.

After publishing the Fall 2017 newsletter, the board decided to investigate the possibility of using HTML format and a program specifically designed for email newsletters. After checking into various programs, I asked Krista McCallum, owner of 237 Marketing + Web, to assist us. She recommended a program that she administers through CreateSend.com. The Winter and Spring 2018 newsletters have been created and sent in HTML with both HTML and PDF versions being available on the website.

I have also worked with the Webmaster as she was working on upgrading and redoing the website. The new website is up-to-date, easier to navigate and always current. Thank you, Isabelle.

The board also worked on the creation of a new logo for the organization assisted by 237Marketing + Web.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

I recommend that ANWG continue use of the newsletter program provided through 237 Marketing + Web. The cost of the program is \$8.10 per month which allows us to send up to 2,500 total emails per month to a list of 0-500 email recipients.

The program is designed to follow all laws regarding group email mailings, gives us detailed reports of number of people who looked at the newsletter and those who did not (this is subject to the settings on individual computers), and those who clicked on links in the newsletter. Additionally, there is no advertising for the email program in the newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,

Ila McCallum, Communications Chair and Newsletter Editor