**WEAVER’S GUILD OF BOSTON BOARD MEETING 11/14/12**

The meeting was called to order by Dean Ro Spinelli at 3:15 PM.

In attendance were: Nancy Hodes, Carol McClennen, Ro Spinelli, Susan Targove, Mara Taylor, Eileen Fitzgerald, Diane Chaisson, Elizabeth Springett, Catherine de Haan, Judith Shangold, Eileen Goldman, Deb Watson, Linda Snook, Nancy Kronenberg, Joan Rauch

Ro Spinelli clarified the sales procedures for the Anniversary book: Marjie Thompson is the contact from WGB to locations for wholesale book sales and Beth Guertin deals with the actual requests.

Mara Taylor, Sale Chair, talked about her visions for next year’s sale. The Maine Weaver’s Guild does not want to continue doing the Sale mailings but Judith Shangold, Sale Chair for next year, said that the Nashoba Weavers would take on this job. Judith also said that she would design next year’s postcard which will include photos from the anniversary book. An Assistant Sale chair is still needed for next year and Judith suggested that there be two people for this job so that there would be 3 people in all running the sale. Carol McClennen volunteered to be an assistant to Diane Chaisson, Sale Treasurer.

Eileen Goldman suggested that a Smart phone be available at the Sale. Nancy Kronenberg added that maybe this could be tried out next year as a “field test”.

Diane Chaisson, Sale Treasurer, stated that the credit card issues at the Sale were resolved on the Friday of the Sale.

Eileen Goldman, Education Grants, proposed that no further grants be made to individuals. She suggested that the profit from the Sale be used for the general education of everyone. Eileen has not been able to find any grant history before 1996 to clarify how grants were given. Presently there is a limit of $1,000 that a person can receive in their lifetime. It was clarified that people who get grant money are obligated to give back to the Guild is one of the following ways:

Weave samples for the Bulletin Participate in Weavers Helping Weavers Write a summary for the Bulletin Volunteer for a Guild position Make a notebook for the Library Teach a morning workshop

It was noted that the obligation of the grantees needs to be tracked more carefully. Eileen described the awards as ranging from $350 to $880. Ro suggested that there should be a limit of $300 per individual. It was noted that the WGB budget for Education Grants is $500/year.

It was agreed to table the discussion for now and put it on the agenda for the March 2013 Board meeting.

Nancy Kronenberg, Website, presented her idea to take the Education Program and make it into a PDF document accessible through website links. This would be a print friendly version that would be easier for people to work with. Susan Targove, Assistant Dean, suggested a survey of other guilds to see how they do their websites and in the meantime, try out the new PDF document. Ro Spinelli recommended this short term solution and the Board agreed.

There was a question about the current membership number.

It was agreed that two items be put on the March 2013 Board meeting agenda: Membership categories and workshop refunds.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McClennen, Recording Secretary