**WEAVER’S GUILD OF BOSTON MONTHLY MEETING, April 11, 2012**

57 attendees.

Dean Nancy Hodes called the meeting to order at 12:55 PM.

Denise Lebica and Martha Suyla from Plimoth Plantation displayed the “Brewster Blanket” woven by Susan Targove. Denise and Martha thanked all who were involved and noted that volunteers who give 100 hours get special membership benefits. Thanks also went to Nancy Kronenberg for organizing the collaboration between Plimoth and WGB.

Nancy Hodes spoke about the Celebration of Life for Barbara Waka. There will be a memorial service on May 5, 2012 at 11 AM, Green Street Baptist Church, 179 Green St., Melrose, MA 02176 with a reception to follow immediately after at the church.

Nancy Hodes announced that Handwoven is accepting nominations for Teacher of the Year to be submitted before 7/20/12. Web site: [www.weavingtoday.com](http://www.weavingtoday.com)

Nancy Hodes reported on the ongoing search for a new site for the Guild. Nancy and Linda Snook visited Edwards Church in Framingham. This site fulfills all of the space needs, but there is some question about the sustainability of the congregation due to their small number. Nancy and Linda also looked at a space at our current location on the third floor of the church which has been offered for the library. The space seems adequate, but Linda has concerns about the humidity control. Nancy announced that Kirkside has been sold so the WGB library needs to be moved this summer.

Because of the new housing situation, Nancy stated that there is no longer space for the Tuesday classes. WGB Board in March, 2012, voted to recommend to the membership that weekly classes be discontinued. It was noted that WGB has many teachers in its membership and the Website will be including more information about what they teach and how to contact them.

Eileen Goldman made a motion to discontinue the weekly classes which was seconded by Pat Morton. The motion was passed unanimously by the Guild membership.

Recording Secretary Carol McClennen stated that the minutes for the March 14, 2012 meeting were posted on the bulletin board.

Beth Guertin, Treasurer, gave the following report: $24,540.98 in checking, $15,019.92 in savings, $19,879.18 in IBM stock, and $1,038.54 in the Scottrade account.

Adele Harvey, Awards, reported that the nomination period ended April 7.

Deb Watson, Nominating, reported that these positions still need to be filled: Assistant Sale Chair, Outreach, and Website

Nancy Hodes reported for Laurie Autio, Bulletin, that the 90th Anniversary Book is “looking great!”

Diane Chaisson, Historian, reported that the cleaning out continues in the 3rd floor attic of Kirkside.

Nancy Kronenberg, Website and Plimoth, recognized Olivia Herbert as “the artist behind the

new website” and thanked Carol Wooten for the use of her beautiful scarves on the site.

Nancy announced that Kate Smith from the Marshfield School of Weaving is considering

offering a workshop on linen textiles.

Susan Targove, Membership, reported that WGB now has 270 members including one new

member.

Rita Steinbach, Morning Workshops, reported that Eileen Fitzgerald is taking over the job.

Eileen passed around a sheet to collect ideas for workshops. Rita also stated that no one has

volunteered for morning coffee. A sheet was passed for people to sign up for one

month at a time.

Nancy Hodes reported that the May meeting will include a potluck, birthday cake, fashion

show, and change of officers.

The Fitchburg Art Museum is having a special exhibit “Wrapped in Pride: Ghanaian Kente and

African American Identity” on April 15, 2012.

Florence Feldman-Wood announced that the Handloom Supplement #15 has articles by Adele

Harvey and Barbara Provest.

Eileen Goldman announced that WGB samples are available in the labeled file folders.

The Yarn Table with Barbara Waka’s yarns continues to do well.

Sara Willig announced that the Old South Church in Boston will be having a sale featuring Saori

Weaving on April 14.

Dora Hsuing is having an exhibit at the Newton Public Library on April 21.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McClennen, Recording Secretary