

## Valley Forge Rug Braiding Guild

### October 5, 2024 General Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order** – President Rissa Moore called the meeting to order at 1:00pmEST. There were 25 attendees.
2. **Approve/Add to the Agenda** – No additions to the agenda. Motion to approve by Catherine Leonard. Seconded by Patricia Lodge. The agenda was approved.
3. **Amend/Approve Minutes of Last Meeting** – No amendments to the minutes. Motion to approve by Mary Hibbard. Seconded by Christine Manges. The minutes were approved.
4. **Treasurer's Report** – Rissa Moore presented the Treasurer's report provided by Treasurer Sherry Chilcutt (attached to the agenda). There are three ways to pay for membership: Paypal, Credit Card through WIX on the website, or mailing a check directly to Sherry. Contact Sherry at [sherrychilcutt@aol.com](mailto:sherrychilcutt@aol.com) before mailing.
5. **Old Business** – No old business.
6. **New Business** – No new business.
7. **Committees**
  - a. **Conference** – Rissa reported that the contract for our 2025 Conference is in progress. The conference will be held at Stella Niagara Center of Renewal in Lewiston, NY on April 25-27, 2025.
  - b. **Education** – Christine Manges reported that fall classes have started and can still be joined after a class has started by contacting her directly at [ccmanges@gmail.com](mailto:ccmanges@gmail.com).
  - c. **Exhibit Committee** – Pam Rowan reported that the Exhibit Committee will meet in December.
  - d. **Finance** – No report.
  - e. **Fundraising/Scholarship** – Kris McDermet sent a report that there will be a Teacup Auction at the 2025 Conference. More details will be presented in November.
  - f. **Media** – Christine reported that she and Lisa Kilgo have made some changes to the website and are continuing to add features.
  - g. **Membership** – Marlene Breitenbach and Mary Ragno sent a report that we have 178 members.
  - h. **Nominating** – Mary Hibbard reported no activity at this time.
  - i. **Programs** – Christine Manges presented the current schedule of Special Events and Demos which are listed in the agenda. She reported we don't have Demos scheduled beyond this meeting. Pam Rowan said she will present a demo on the bleach test for wool fabric at the December meeting.
8. **Exhibit Opportunities** – Exhibit opportunities are listed in the agenda. Christine presented a slide show of the braided rugs shown at Sauder Village this past summer.

**9. Demo** – Christine Manges gave a presentation on **Patterns in Braids**.

**10. Adjournment** – President Rissa Moore called for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Patricia Lodge and seconded by Maddy Fraioli. The meeting was adjourned at 1:47pmEST followed by show and tell.

Submitted by Karen Levendusky 10/6/2024