

FSWG – 12 June 2021 Meeting Minutes –
Meeting held virtually. Hosted by MAFA – thank you!



President

- **Approve meeting Minutes**
- **Meeting venue update**

Minutes from May got out late, members did not have a chance to look them over. We will approve them in July after members have time to review them.

Meeting venue update – Liberty Town – Starting July 1 the masking policy will be relaxed to the current CDC recommendations – fully vaccinated plus 2 weeks, no need to wear mask or physically distance within the building.

1st Fridays are scheduled again. We can have a presence at Liberty Town on 1st Fridays. Also, can have Guild meetings in our space again.

The guild will work with programs and such and have hybrid meeting starting in July. Those who can in person can join in the meeting and other can still log in.

The Guild groups can also meet in person in the Guild space.

Special Deals:

United Airlines – upload proof of vaccination to be entered into a drawing for you and companion for free travel for 1 year. Thirty 2nd prizes of 1 round trip flight for free for 2 people.
<https://www.united.com/ual/en/us/fly/travel/your-shot-to-fly-sweepstakes.html>

Coke-Cola – sign up by June 15 for a voucher for a free drink to be used from June 17-21.
<https://us.coca-cola.com/summer>

Vice President



Kara – July’s Program – would those who are going to the MAFA conference share something they enjoyed from the conference? Contact Kara and let her know. kpekar9@gmail.com

August Program – looking for a volunteer to share for the program. A project, a video, etc...

Tom volunteered to teach “twining” a form of no loom weaving

Today – World Wide Public Knit Day

Treasurer



- **Treasurer’s Report**
- **501(c)(3) Update**

Denise:

June 2021

1,369.62	opening balance
570.00	deposits
1,939.62	new balance
800.00	LT Rent pmt. (15TH)
1,139.62	ending balance (16TH)

503(c)(3) update:

The team had a meeting in May.

Some things they have been working on:

Set up with project management software - Jira

Completed the introduction to gaining the tax-exempt status. Tax Exempt is a federal designation. The non-profit status is a State designation. They team is working on a presentation for the guild discussing the pros and cons of these two designations and what we want to do.

One consideration is the insurance and what coverage we have at Liberty Town. The only insurance provided by Liberty Town is liability – if a person gets hurt in the space that is covered, but if someone should come in and break a loom, steal items, a fire, etc... there is no protection nor is there any protection against the guild or board members being sued.

Dede at liberty town gave Lesley the name of the insurance company that liberty town used to dovetail the Guild's insurance with the Liberty Town.

Persons who rent space in the guild, can purchase their own insurance to cover their personal items. If this is something you want contact your personal home owner/renter insurance company.

Lesley has access to a lawyer (through a program through her work) and will look into how it would work to have a lawyer check over the paperwork.

Education and Outreach

Chatham's 250th Anniversary:

We have been invited to participate in Chatham's 250 anniversary on Oct 16.

Trying to focus on skill all the way back to 1771. "Community Day of Remembrance and Reflection"

They also need a cross-stitch or needle point demonstration.

A discussion came up as to the historic accuracy of our "modern" spinning wheels – and could we use those to demonstrate the "historic" spinning. And other fiber arts of the Colonial period. As well as the cloth of the Native peoples of this area.

Membership

Visitor!! Michelle Deitrick – Welcome!

Hospitality

Let Mary Snellings know if you'd like to provide refreshment for the in-person July's meeting.

Library

Denise – she'd like to get the library of about 500 books insured as soon a possible

MAFA Update



If you wish to sign up – there are still a openings in some classes. All on line. Some are just lectures and some are hands on. If you have a hands on class get your materials kit together now.

If you are signed up – watch for your email with the access link.

The towel exchange is done.

The ebook is being proofed and will soon be available. It will be available as a PDF for anyone to download from the MAFA website. Aileen will send out a link to everyone when the book is available.

June Program



Fiber Arts in Entertainment

Put together by Kara – Thank you!!