GLPG Board Meeting, September 4, 2020

Meeting convened at 9:00am via Zoom

Present: Anne Szilagyi, Sophie Wang, Barb Hyman, Joan Witter, Sara Laitala, Tim Candy, Barb Hranalovich, Bill Guerin, Judith Fleishman

Approval of previous minutes, (last Board meeting and Annual meeting), passed unanimously.

New Board members welcomed (BH, BG, JF), and new officers nominated and elected:

Barb Hyman (President), nominated by Joan Witter

Joan Witter (Vice President), nominated by Sara Laitala

Judith Fleishman (Recording secretary), nominated by Joan Witter

Sophie discussed concerns from the Points committee (Wenfen, Lyn, Sophie) about VPs being able to earn enough points during this unusual year. A motion was made by Sophie that the Guild will increase the VP starting point allowance to 6000 points (up from the traditional 3000 points). As per usual Guild protocol, VPs will ‘pay back’ these points at the end of their 2nd year of being a VP. Previously earned points which VPs have earned via Zoom critique sessions will be nullified. Historically, critique sessions, although important and an integral part of the VP/ liaison relationship, have not been a means for VPs or their liaisons to earn points. Lyn will send an email to all VPs and their liaisons to clarify this situation and to review how points are earned. The 3000 increase in points allowance will include 1st and 2nd year VPs. The Board requests that liaisons review with the VPs the monthly points book accounting, for both points earned and pots glazed.

On a related note about points: In order to facilitate efficient distribution of jobs for VPs, the Board requests that Committee Chairs identify needs and allocate chores that fall within their particular domains. Charlie will assign jobs related to building maintenance, repairs, cleaning, etc.

Anne, Mickey and Barb Hran are coordinating efforts to launch our new website, forecast for sometime in mid September. There will be an ongoing effort to consolidate all current Guild documents/templates on the website (Members Only link), for easier access to all in the future. Barb Hran requests that if you have a current Guild template or document file please send it to her so that she may begin her consolidation task. Please send both a .doc and a PDF.

Guild committee choices were reviewed. The majority of members were placed on committees that they had chosen. A minimum amount of balancing out of the committees was required. Joan Witter will finalize the list and send it out to us in the near future.

Although many of our Long Term Planning Projects have been put on hold, the long term planning committee will continue to meet. The LTPC will facilitate the compilation

of information about suppliers, contractors, procedures, materials and sources by committee chairs and others with institutional knowledge. This was identified as a vital need of the Guild several years ago by outside analysts. The committee encourages members to come forward and help with this endeavor. This information will eventually be found under the ‘Members only’ link on our website.

Our ‘19 for 19’ community outreach project will be getting underway, most of our membership have already donated a pot for this worthy cause.

Lastly, The Board requests that the last person in the Guild do a ‘walk through’ of the ENTIRE building to check that the lights are out, windows closed and locked, and the doors are locked. Also, to help contain Guild expenses please turn out the lights if you have finished working in a particular space that no one else is using.

Meeting was adjourned at 12 noon

Next meeting: October 8 th at 9:30 AM via Zoom.