

## Minutes for March 23, 2021

On March 23, 2021 the Rigid Heddle Study Group held its 6th meeting via Zoom. The group has 17 members, 11 of whom attended this meeting. The roster is updated and included with these minutes.

### **Attendees:**

**Sandy Prock, Facilitator; Mary Anna Swinnerton, Coordinator; Ginger Kaldenbach, Organizer.**

**Randee Frommer, Raylene Keating, Barbara Kracher, Sharyl McCulloch, Lynn Owens, Kay Parkinson, Marsha Phelps, Lynne Roy,**

**Mary Anna welcomed the group and welcomed new member Raylene Keating.**

**Ginger led the group through a short tutorial on use of the Zoom screen sharing feature which had been an attachment to the meeting notice, saying the most important thing is to have the document/picture already open and accessible on your computer screen.**

**Ginger took a quick poll of those who desired the Zoom meeting length be 1 ½ hour long, receiving unanimous vote (as opposed to a 2-hour timeframe). Ginger noted that the group might want to meet longer when it is possible to meet in-person. Should some topics need re-visiting or not fit into the meeting, the group was asked to consider individual questions on specific topics be “off’line” with mentor’s volunteering to assist.**

**Mary Anna asked for volunteers to fill Facilitator role for future meetings; thank you to Barbara (May), Lynn O (June), and Marsha (July). Should each not be available, group will be contacted for replacement volunteers.**

**Mary Anna outlined the plans for future meeting study programs, following our chosen guidebook, Inventive Weaving on the Little Loom. Ginger mentioned she, Mary Anna and Sharyl are working on a study plan for future meetings for Chapter’s 3 and 4.**

**April Facilitator Sharyl McCulloch said the focus for the April meeting will be Chapter 3, p. 71-83.**

### **Program/study Items:**

**Sandy led the group through study topics of balance of Chapter 2, Inventive Weaving on the Little Loom, referring to her attachment of topics/resources sent out with first meeting notice.**

### **Topics receiving discussion:**

- 1. Discussion about how to separate multiple items (such as dish towels) using same warp.**
- 2. Various types of “sampling” for color, sett, shrinkage etc. and uses for the samples. Lynn recommended Janet Dawson’s video on sampling and shrinkage**

<https://weavingwithjanetdawson.com>). One of Janet's videos was listed on the "Resource" page Sandy created along with study topics which was sent out before our meeting.

3. Lease sticks and how to use them in RHL weaving. Mary Anna and Randee to consult and potentially develop or recommend video on this subject, to be shared at April meeting.
4. Decreasing angle of shed toward end of weaving project, and options for tools to solve the problem.

#### Show-and share items

- Sharyl shared pictures of her "Wrapestry" piece from inspiration to finish, emphasizing her "hybrid" warping to multi-pegs then using horizontal spreader bar to keep tension while warping.
- Randee shared pictures of her multi-warp-yarn scarf, and challenges she overcame.

**LOOKING AHEAD - MEETINGS ARE HELD MONTHLY ON THE FOURTH TUESDAY (except for December), 1:00PM – 2:30PM.**

The next meeting: Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

- Mary Anna Swinnerton, Coordinator; Sharyl McCulloch, Facilitator.
- Subject: Chapter 3, p. 71-83

Future Assignments/Homework for next meeting:

- Those wishing to share work at the next meeting are asked to email them to Barbara Kracher ([b\\_kracher@hotmail.com](mailto:b_kracher@hotmail.com)) and Linda Pedersen ([wepedersens@gmail.com](mailto:wepedersens@gmail.com)) at least one week prior to our study group meeting. in addition, Barbara and Linda P will continue to put slides in Power Point that members send them.
- Mary Anna and Randee will present results of collaborative information gathering re: use of lease sticks on RHL warping process
- Marsha Phelps will share information pictures of recent work on 4 scarves.

Sharyl McCulloch