

**Weaver's Guild of Greater Kansas City
Business Meeting March 12, 2026**

The meeting was held at Westwood City Hall.

Leesa Duby called the meeting to order.

New Members and Guests:

Bearnie Murray and EJ DiGorgio

Treasurer's Report - Kirsten Kakolewski

General:	\$17,144.63
Scholarship :	2,075.21
Total	\$19,219.84

Kirsten stated that we have official not-for-profit status in both Missouri and Kansas.

Programs: Teddy Wiberg

The April program will be at the Kansas City Art Institute.

Lynette Beebe said our April social gathering will be lunch at the cafeteria after the KCAI student presentation.

Workshops

Warp Painting Class on April 25, 2026

There are still a few seats open.

Felting Study Group - Valery Johnson

The group went to the Nelson Atkins Museum of Art Library. They are searching for an image to recreate as a felted piece of art.

Creative Hand - Valery Johnson

Creative Hand is still in need of volunteers to head several committees.

Social Media - Jacqueline Jacobson

Jacqueline reminded members to let her know if they do not wish their creations or their faces to be on Instagram.

NEW BUSINESS

National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame

The National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame contacted Janet Meddings looking for someone who could warp a loom for display purposes. Janet said the loom needs extensive cleaning before it could be warped. She told the Center that the someone from the Guild could do it for \$400. She has not heard back from them. She asked for volunteers should they decide to go forward. Kirsten Kakolewski, Lynette Beebe, Becky Gaskill, Teddy Wiberg, and Nancy Osborne volunteered.

Librarian

Leesa Duby presented a gift to Debbie Buddish as a thank you for her years of serving as the librarian and bringing books to our meetings.

The library is moving to Leesa Duby's house where it will be sorted and weeded by Leesa Duby and Pam Jenkins. Most DVDs will be weeded. New bookcases are being donated. Kirsten Kakolewski will be creating a more useable listing of books that will be found on our webpage.

Mentoring

Barrie Mason has agreed to serve as a mentoring coordinator. In this role she will connect members who have agreed to mentor people with those who are asking for assistance. Mentoring serves as a good means of Guild outreach as well as giving satisfaction to those who mentor. Janet has been answering many of the requests to learn how to weave that come via our webpage by guiding people to the classes offered at the Yarn Barn.

Fiber Guild Status - Valery Johnson

Kirsten Kakolewski discovered that the Weavers Guild and Fiber Guild need to have separate insurance policies because each organization has separate boards. The Weavers Guild and Fiber Guild Board members met to discuss how the separate insurance policies would affect each guild and the creative hand sale. The Fiber Guild presented the possible options to their members last night that included remaining an independent organization or folding the Fiber Guild into the Weavers Guild. The Fiber Guild decided that they will remain their own organization. The Weavers Guild will continue with Creative Hand as a committee of our guild. In order to be covered by the Weavers Guild insurance policy, members of the Fiber Guild who wish to participate in Creative Hand will need to join the Weavers Guild.