

League of Northern Colorado Quilters

General Board Meeting

June 8, 2026

Via Zoom

Board members in attendance: Joan Fulton, President; Crystal Wentz, 1st Vice President and Co-chair 30th Anniversary Committee; Pat Baker, VP Programs; Ellen Rankin, Treasurer; Beth Soderquist in lieu of Jane Rozum, Website and Integration and Web Communications; Cynthia Marquez, Secretary; Charlotte Cox, Hospitality; Lauri Dykstra, Retreat Coordinator; Kathy Winter, Ways and Means; Lauretta Oudeman, Show and Tell; Kaea Beresford, Publicity; Sue Ellis, Membership; Julie Aanonson – Small Group Coordinator

1. Joan Fulton (“Joan”) welcomed everyone to the General Board meeting.
2. May 2026 General Meeting and General Board Meeting Minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the May 2026 Minutes made by Kaea Beresford (“Kaea”) and seconded by Lauretta Oudeman (“Lauretta”). May 2026 Minutes approved by the Board.
3. 30th Anniversary Celebration – Party planning continues. Volunteers are welcome to attend a baking day at Joan’s house to create baked goods for the party.
4. Quilted Forest – a productive workday was held before the June general meeting. Some pieces are finished. Another workday may be scheduled in July or August.
5. Guild supplies have now been inventoried and organized in Joan’s garage. Joan is checking with the insurance company to determine whether or not it makes financial sense to insure the supplies.
6. Joan recognized Lauri Dykstra (“Lauri”) and the retreat committee for their work on general retreat concerns identified at the last meeting and progress toward solutions. Non-member guests are now invited to attend Guild retreats which is a great recruiting tool. Joan noted that there seemed to be quite a bit of interest in the Guild by people shopping at the Guild’s garage sale.

Joan and Lauri met with Ashley of the YMCA in the Rockies. The YMCA agreed to reduce the rental rate of the large room by \$1,000. Work on the 2027 contracts with the YMCA is continuing. Lauri noted that the scheduling of the retreat member meals is being reviewed to avoid possible conflicts with other YMCA guests.

Lauri noted that retreat seating layouts are being added to Google Drive.

7. Fundraising – Joan emphasized how important fundraising is to the Guild and that without successful fundraising, the Guild will not survive. As costs continue to increase, a “shout out” to Kathy Winter (“Kathy”) for her very successful fundraising leadership. The garage sale grossed over \$1,100 with minimal expenses. Additionally, tee shirts with the new logo are being procured from a local vendor, the sale of fall plants is being arranged and the silent auction will be held at the December holiday party.

Fundraising requires volunteers and ideas for recruiting volunteers are welcome. Suggestions include “Volunteer Opportunities” slides and circulation of sign-up sheets of volunteer opportunities at general meetings. Discussion of tracking volunteer hours and contributions for recognition and possibly a name-badge charm or pin ensued. The position of a Volunteer Coordinator was suggested, as was a mentor assigned to welcome new members and encourage volunteer engagement.

Crystal Wentz (“Crystal”) suggested adding a “Donate Now” QR Code to the website when Jane Rozum is back in town.

8. VP Programs – Pat Baker received great feedback regarding Valerie White, the speaker at the June meeting. She noted that there are 15 sign ups for the Vicki Conley program. Joan suggested a field trip to the Wa Shonaji Quilters Guild meeting and possibly bringing along Show and Tell quilts; Kaea suggested inviting Wa Shonaji Quilters guild members to the Quilted Forest opening at Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum.
9. 1st VP – Crystal reported:
 - a. She is continuing work with Angie, Best Western, on the 2027 contracts. The price is increasing by \$100 per event; and
 - b. Block of the Month is running smoothly and currently has 76 participants;
 - c. Quilted Forest may schedule another work day; and
 - d. Details of how to set up a Guild Quilt Raffle are being researched. Colorado has specific requirements such as a segregated bank account for raffle

expenses and income with all funds generated by a raffle to be used to support the Guild's mission. Kathy has volunteered to be the Game Master, a position required to obtain the Colorado raffle registration. Quilt blocks could be made from kits and assembly workdays could be scheduled. Tickets could be sold at Quilt Affair and County fairs; volunteers would be needed.

10. Website and Integration and Web Communications – Beth Soderquist noted that an E-Blast will be circulated with volunteer opportunities and before Community Sew Days. Obsolete items on the web site will be removed when Jane Rozum returns.
11. Community Service – Betty Ann Eash sent a email discussing the most recent Community Sew Day with only four participants and included the Christmas Tree Skirt pattern. Carol Mancuso will laser-cut the fabric for the tree skirts.
12. Membership – Susan Ellis reported that the guild now has 185 members including three new members added in June. Joan noted that several attendees of the Garage Sale expressed an interest in the Guild as well.
13. Newsletter – Joan is working with Sue Hine on the newsletter and suggested a Volunteer Recognition section.
14. Publicity - Kaea is placing Guild cards with the new logo in local quilt shops. Local newspapers have not responded to messages regarding the 30th Anniversary Celebration. It was suggested that a press release be prepared and circulated to see if that would interest local news. Another periodical, the Yellow Scene, was proposed as well.
15. Retreats - Lauri reminded board members to welcome and include guests and newer members attending the June retreat. Kaea, June Retreat Chair, has lots of great give-aways planned; any extras can be saved for the October 2026 Fall Retreat, sign-ups for which are coming soon. The 2026 Fall Retreat budget is close to being finalized.
16. Small Groups - Organization of the listing of small groups on the website is continuing. Joan asked about interest in a small group for quilters still working that might meet at night to accommodate schedules.

17. Ways and Means - Kathy reported on the following:

- a. Garage Sale – great amount of donations; the left overs went to an auction company and there might be minimal proceeds from that;
- b. Researching how businesses might be able to sponsor speakers and programs;
- c. Tee-shirts with the new logo are being sourced from a local, and more affordable, vendor;
- d. Plant sale in the fall ; and
- e. Looking at a tea-party as a fundraiser.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: _____

Cynthia S. Marquez, Secretary

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