League of Northern Colorado Quilters

General Meeting Minutes

Best Western Hotel, Loveland, Colorado

Monday, October 5, 2026 – 6:00 PM

1. Joan Fulton ("Joan"), President, opened the general meeting with a welcome and introduction to Margaret ("Margaret") Willingham, the program presenter for the meeting.

   Margaret, creator of Eye of the Beholder Quilt Designs presented applique styles throughout history and showcased her work, consisting of elegant machine and hand reverse applique, along with samples of a Mola piece from Panama and work by the Mung tribe of Vietnam and Laos. She illustrated the steps of her reverse applique process works as well as different patterns and styles.

2. Joan recognized and welcomed new members and guests.

3. Door Prizes – door prizes were awarded to members chosen at random.

4. Financial Reporting – 2027 memberships renewals may now be processed on the website. Joan also reviewed historical profit margins on past vs. present retreats and highlighted fundraising projects, including sales of tee-shirts, High Tea and the silent auction at the Holiday Party.

5. Quilted Forest – pieces were photographed prior to the meeting. Instructions for the hanging tabs will be posted on the website.

6. Block of the Month – the 2026 Block of the Month quilts are tentatively scheduled be shown at the February 2027 general meeting.

7. Commnity Quilts – Betty Ann Eash reported that over 100 quilts were finished and donated this year. Approximately 56 Christmas tree skirts have been finished; a few kits remain to be finished.

8. 2026 Fall Retreat - Joan noted that registration has now closed with 38 participants attending; the wait list is open.

9. Upcoming Programs
   - The November program features Susan DuBois, an expert on everything silk, who will be demonstrating the creation of silk fibers and the silk fusion process

- Holiday Party – scheduled for December 7th at 1:30pm at the Best Western. Will include the Silent Auction including the Royal Retreat to be held at Joan's house; appetizers and desserts will be served.

10. 2027 Board Positions – Joan reported that Crystal Wentz is working to complete the 2027 Board. The following general board positions are open: Community Service, Hospitality, Publicity, Show and Tell and Special Events.

11. 2027 Executive Board Elections – elections for the Executive Board were held:

    a. Crystal Wentz – nominated for President; no nominations from the floor; elected unanimously;
    b. Lauri Dykstra – nominated for 1st Vice President; no nominations from the floor; elected unanimously;
    c. Lauretta Oudeman – nominated for VP Programs; no nominations from the floor; elected unanimously;
    d. Ellen Rankin – nominated for Treasurer; no nominations from the floor; elected unanimously;
    e. Cynthia Marquez – nominated for Secretary; no nominations from the floor; elected unanimously;
    f. Beth Soderquist – nominated for Web Coordinator; no nominations from the floor; elected unanimously.

Show and Tell - Community quilts for donation and members' quilts were shown.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Cynthia S. Marquez

Cynthia S. Marquez, Secretary