

League of Northern Colorado Quilters

General Board Meeting

August 10, 2026

Via Zoom

Board members in attendance: Joan Fulton, President; Crystal Wentz, 1st Vice President; Pat Baker, VP Programs; Ellen Rankin, Treasurer; Beth Soderquist, Web Communications; Cynthia Marquez, Secretary; Lauri Dykstra, Retreat Coordinator; Betty Ann Eash, Community Service; Laretta Oudeman, Show and Tell; Kaea Beresford, Publicity; Sue Ellis, Membership; Julie Aanonson, Small Group Coordinator; Sue Hine, Newsletter

1. Joan Fulton ("Joan") welcomed everyone to the General Board meeting.
2. June 2026 General Meeting and General Board Meeting Minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the June 2026 General Board Minutes made by Crystal Wentz ("Crystal") and seconded by Betty Ann Eash ("Betty Ann"). Motion to approve the June 2026 General Meeting made by Crystal and seconded by Laretta Oudeman ("Laretta"). Both June 2026 Minutes approved by the Board.
3. Financial Reporting – the 2026 Budget versus Actual report through end of July was circulated prior to the meeting. Joan will be presenting this report at the General Meeting and in the newsletter. She is focusing on the need for fundraising for the long-term sustainability of the Guild and noted that Kathy Winter ("Kathy") and the Ways and Means Committee are looking at ways to increase funds from outside the Guild. Crystal is working on a raffle quilt project as a future fund raiser. Joan invited questions about the Guild's finances.

Joan noted that triple and quad rates are being offered for the 2026 Fall Retreat to keep prices affordable. She also noted the following fundraising opportunities including tee shirt sales, a 2-day High Tea event in October at her house and the holiday party silent auction.

4. Audit – The Audit Committee's completed Report was circulated prior to the meeting. The committee made recommendations which were reviewed by Joan, Ellen Rankin ("Ellen") and Crystal. Their responses are included on the report in red.

5. Colorado Quilting Council (“CQC”) – LNCQ is now a member of CQC. Benefits to our Guild include information on how to successfully manage a raffle quilt project and the option for LNCQ to host a 3-day booth at Quilt-a-Fair. Due to the limited advance knowledge of the opportunity, a 1-day booth was selected for this year’s event. Kaea Beresford (“Kaea”) will be coordinating this year’s booth and figuring out how best to highlight LNCQ. Kaea will need volunteers for setting up and tearing down the booth. She hopes to have different types of display quilts, general LNCQ postcards and lists of upcoming programs. She would like to have a new member sign-up capability as well with an offer of October – December 2026 membership included with a 2027 membership. She noted that the 2026 budget remaining for publicity is about \$235 and may use these funds for booth supplies.
6. Joan discussed registering LNCQ as a Colorado charitable organization and that the Secretary will be working on this project. Betty Ann mentioned the need to organize accounts for the Colorado sales tax exemption.
7. Treasurer’s Note – Ellen reminded everyone that reimbursement requests require President or Vice President approval.
8. VP Programs – Pat Baker (“Pat”) and Crystal noted that the Vicki Conley program was very successful. The 2027 program schedule should be completed shortly and will be published in the newsletter along with PowerPoint slides for presentation at the general meetings.
9. Website and Integration and Web Communications – Please forward any obsolete items on the web site to Jane Rozum or Beth Soderquist (“Beth”) for removal. Photos from the various events should be saved to the sub-folder for that event on the website. Beth will be covering for Jane when Jane is out of town.
10. 1st Vice President – Crystal continues work on the 2027 Best Western contracts. The \$40 beverage service may be eliminated to help offset a 2027 room rental rate hike. Bottled water could be provided instead of the beverage service. She noted that the Block of the Month project is going well. The holiday party is now scheduled for 1:30pm allowing for lighter appetizers and snacks and, in response to member comments, the silent auction period will be shorter.

She is also working on assembling the 2027 Board.

11. Community Service – Betty Ann raised the question of post cards that Community Service uses when donating quilts and if that expense should be allocated to the Community

Service Budget or Publicity 2027 budget. She will bring a sample card to the next Community Sew Day.

12. Hospitality – Snacks were brought to the general meeting by several members. Quilted postcards are being sent to welcome new members and more quilted postcards will be needed.
13. Membership – Susan Ellis reported that the guild now has 189 members.
14. Newsletter – Please send any items for the newsletter to Sue Hine.
15. Publicity - Kaea is placing Guild cards with the new logo in local quilt shops and asked for members to take to additional places. She is looking for eight volunteers to help set up, take down and staff the Quilt-a-Fair booth and estimating two-hour time slots for volunteers. Pat noted that there may be some opportunities for joint programming with other CQC guilds for future years.
16. Retreats - Lauri Dykstra reported that 2026 Fall Retreat sign ups are going well. This retreat will open to the general public in time to allow for the 30-day final headcount report to the YMCA. Beth will be posting the 2026 Fall Retreat to the Colorado FaceBook Retreats site as well and noted that non-members pay a higher price. Early bird pricing is for Guild members only. Beth is working on additional advertising of the retreat to non-members.

Hosts for 2027 Retreats are needed. The only confirmed host is Carol Mancuso for the 2027 Spring Retreat.
17. Show and Tell – Laurretta noted that she will be gone in October and Kathy Money will cover Show and Tell. She is also adding “Quilted By” to the Show and Tell forms to indicate the quilter, if different, than the piecer.
18. Ways and Means - Joan reported on the scheduled fundraisers including High Tea and the silent auction. Crystal is working on how a quilt raffle might work. If anyone has ideas for fundraising, please email them to Kathy.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: _____

Cynthia S. Marquez, Secretary