

# **League of Northern Colorado Quilters**

## **General Board Meeting**

**February 9, 2026**

**Via Zoom**

Board members in attendance: Joan Fulton, President; Crystal Wentz, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Co-chair 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee; Pat Baker, VP Programs; Cyndy Marquez, Secretary; Beth Soderquist, Web Communications; Betty Ann Eash, Community Service; Charlotte Cox, Hospitality; Lauri Dykstra, Retreat Coordinator; Sue Ellis, Co-chair Membership; Kathy Winter, Ways and Means; Sue Hine, Newsletter; Laretta Oudeman, Show and Tell; Kaea Beresford, Publicity.

1. Joan Fulton (“Joan”) welcomed everyone to the General Board meeting.
2. The January 26, 2026, General Board Meeting Minutes were circulated and reviewed. Motion to approve by Crystal Wentz (“Crystal”); seconded by Lauri Dykstra (“Lauri”). Approved unanimously.
3. Joan reviewed Board etiquette and suggestions to keep meetings efficient. She and Sue Hine have experience with Robert’s Rules of Order if anyone has questions. She reminded the Board of their fiduciary responsibilities to the Guild. She noted that the ‘chat’ feature in Zoom is a good mechanism for comments and saving time during meetings. Additionally, she recommended that each committee have support members, both to fill-in as needed, for team building and, to ensure a natural succession plan. Members may give their vote to a proxy if they are unable to attend a meeting.
4. Joan reviewed the requirement of financial reporting to the Guild membership. As the treasurer was not present, discussion of both the presentation format of financial reporting as well as audit details was postponed.

Joan reported that both Linda Salitrynskiu and Wendy Watson have agreed to assist with the audit. A third, non-board member, person is needed for the audit committee.

5. The Executive Board reviewed equipment needs, alternatives and approved the purchase of a projector for use at the general meetings along with four wool pressing mats, ten power towers and ten stackable trash cans. Kathy Winter (“Kathy”) suggested that another possible source for the purchase of a projector might be CSU. All new equipment needs to be labeled and inventoried. Old equipment might be sold on Facebook Marketplace or at the scheduled garage sale. Volunteers to explore and possibly handle sales on FaceBook Marketplace needed.
6. Programs - Pat Baker (“Pat”) advised that the 2026 program calendar is full; scheduled 2027 programs are about 50% complete. Pat is excited about booking MJ Kinman, a nationally known textile artist, for 2027. Pat will work on PowerPoint slides, publicizing upcoming programs, to be shown at future general meetings.
  - a. The March program features a Quilts of Valor (“QOV”) project. The cost is \$20 and a kit will be provided; any balance of funds, net expenses, will be donated to QOV; and
  - b. The April program features Lori Jonker and the pattern, *Walk A Mile*.
7. 1st Vice President - Crystal noted the following:
  - a. Best Western 2027 dates are confirmed and on-hold pending pricing details. Dates for the 2027 in-town retreats are also on-hold;
  - b. A February, and second, workday for the Quilted Forest exhibit has been scheduled;
  - c. The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee is looking for two additional volunteers. The Committee is working on use of the special logo, party planning events and looking for fun, creative ideas to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year.
8. Web Communications - Beth Soderquist (“Beth”), reported on the computer transition for the 2026 Board Members. She asked that no one use the “Manage Google Settings” on their account as this makes it difficult for her to manage these accounts. Joan expressed the Guild’s appreciation to all the work Beth and Jane have done on behalf of the guild.

Crystal noted that she, Beth and Jane Rozum are meeting to streamline the Guild website and remove obsolete materials. They will be proposing website updates in the future.
9. Community Service - Betty Ann Eash (“Betty Ann”) proposed expediting the donation process for charity quilts. She suggested that requests for completed quilts, limited to recipients within the Northern Colorado region, could be automatically approved, subject to the following categories:

- i. Requests by fire and police departments;
- ii. Quilts supporting comfort providers including hospitals, hospice, respite providers and shelters;
- iii. Raffles for non-profits; and
- iv. Established organizations such as Quilts of Valor, Project Linus and Meals on Wheels.

Unusual requests or requests not falling within the above categories would be submitted for board approval. Motion to approve on-going donations subject to the above categories without specific board approval made by Betty Ann; seconded by Charlotte Cox; motion passed unanimously.

10. Hospitality - Charlotte Cox suggested that a monthly notice be placed in the newsletter publicizing the new member welcome program held immediately before general meetings.
11. Membership – Sue Ellis reported that seven new members have joined in 2026. She has sent out the renewal reminders to existing members who have not yet renewed their memberships. Some members have renewed but their payments need to be posted when the treasurer returns. There are currently 148 members confirmed; 20 memberships pending. She will provide the names to Sue Hine to add to the newsletter subscription list.
12. Newsletter - Sue Hine advised that she will be including the details on special programs two months in advance; other items to be included in the newsletter are needed by the first of the month.
13. Publicity - Kaea Beresford reported that various Northern Colorado media sources are being reviewed for publicizing the Guild's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Informational cards for various uses are on-order and will have the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo as well as a QR code with a link to the LNCQ web site.
14. Retreats Coordinator - Lauri Dykstra noted that approximately 20 members have signed up for the April retreat in RMNP; 30 members would be ideal. Discussions of the use of the new 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo for name tags included existing inventory of current fabric name tags and whether they could be made reversible with a different logo on each side to accommodate both logos. Lauri noted that these would be ideal to have for the April retreat. Crystal will research and report at the March board meeting. Lauri expressed her appreciation of the approval of the purchase of additional equipment for retreats.

15. Show and Tell - Loretta Oudeman reported that the May Show and Tell program will include the Round Robin quilts and this needs to be included in the newsletter. Quarterly there will be a Member Spotlight component of Show and Tell, featuring individual Guild members and their quilts, followed by the Charity Parade and the Member Parade. Joan suggested that the Show and Tell forms include the name of the quilter if different than the piecer. Beth will add this to the forms.
16. Small Groups – Joan noted the importance of small groups to the Guild and suggested it might be time for a small group leader appreciation event.
17. Ways and Means - Kathy circulated her written report ahead of the meeting. She noted the following:
  - a. The garage sale is now scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> to coincide with the Wellington community sale event. She can accept donations starting in March with large items to be delivered the weekend before and she hopes to get a head start on this. She needs 3-4 volunteers to help with set up, pricing and during the sale.
  - b. Tee shirts - new tee's with the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo are being researched as well as long-sleeved tee's or sweatshirts. A few of last year's tee's remain.
  - c. Holiday auction may be back by popular demand. Special items donated to the garage sale could be re-routed to the auction.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Cynthia S. Marquez, Secretary