League of Northern Colorado Quilters

General Board Meeting

October 12, 2026

Via Zoom

Board members in attendance: Joan Fulton, President; Crystal Wentz, 1st Vice President; Pat Baker, VP Programs; Ellen Rankin, Treasurer; Beth Soderquist, Website & Integration; Jane Rozum, Web Communications; Cynthia Marquez, Secretary; Lauri Dykstra, Retreat Coordinator; Kaea Beresford, Publicity; Betty Ann Eash, Community Service; Julie Aanonson, Small Groups Coordinator

1. Joan Fulton ("Joan") welcomed everyone to the General Board meeting.

2. The September 2026 General Meeting and General Board Meeting Minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the September 2026 General Board Meeting Minutes made by Crystal Wentz ("Crystal") and seconded by Jane Rozum ("Jane"). Motion to approve the September 2026 General Meeting Minutes made by Crystal and seconded by Pat Baker ("Pat"). The September 2026 General Meeting Minutes and General Board Meeting Minutes approved by the Board.

3. Joan reported that the registration of the Guild as a charitable entity with the state of Colorado is complete. Crystal will re-set the password and circulate as needed.

4. Joan noted that the 2027 Executive Board elections were held at the October General Meeting and the Executive Board is complete. There were approximately 45 people signed in at that meeting.

5. Joan noted that that some of the Audit Committee's recommendations are pending.

6. Crystal discussed the 2027 Raffle Quilt and will be scheduling a planning meeting.

7. Joan reported on the High Tea event, noting it was a very successful fund raiser and expressed her appreciation to Kaea Beresford ("Kaea") and her husband for all their efforts and donated materials. 33 members and guests attended raising $990 less PayPal fees.

8. 2026 Fall Retreat Update – Lauri Dykstra ("Lauri") will be circulating final retreat details in an email to the attendees. She listed the discounts made available by local quilt shops. Scheduled dining times for attendees is still pending with the YMCA. She noted that 38 members are scheduled to attend which is a record number for this retreat.

   Kaea and Charlotte Cox will be hosting the 2027 January in-town retreat.

9. Pat detailed the November workshop and program which includes the use of fibers to color silk. Upcoming 2027 workshops and programs include Joan teaching convergence quilts, Denise Labadie presenting landscape quilts with stone and rock images.

10. Holiday Party- Crystal discussed the Silent Auction and noted that a catalogue of items will be available. This event could be advertised in the Colorado Quilt Council's ("CQC") newsletter due to the amount of available quilting items. The December meeting is open to both members and non-members, starting at 1:30pm and offering an assortment of snacks and appetizers. Out-going board members will be thanked and in-coming board members will be welcomed.

11. Joan noted that a joint 2026/2027 Board meeting will be held at her house on December 14th at 10:30 am followed by lunch. Out-going board members were asked to bring their binders and canvass bags to give to in-coming board members.

12. Board Member Reports

    a. Secretary – Cynthia Marquez reported that the letter from CQC describing membership benefits is saved on Google Drive if anyone is interested in the benefits available.
    b. Treasurer – Ellen Rankin reported that she is working with Crystal on the 2027 budget. Crystal asked that Committee Chairs provide her with input on their needs for 2027 budget planning.
    c. VP Programs – Pat described the 2027 program and workshop lineup including Joan, David M. Taylor, Denise Labadie, Marcy Baker, Cindy Brick, Dana Jones and Kathy Money among others.
    d. 1st Vice President – Crystal reported that the Best Western contract needs to be signed but all dates are confirmed and the deposit will be made. She noted that certain 2027 General Board positions are still open including

Community Service, Hospitality, Membership and Publicity and she is continuing work on filling these positions.

e. Website and Integration – Jane noted that she can add early 2027 events and programs to the Guild's website and this would be a good teaching project for the incoming board member.
f. President – Joan noted the varied Guild activities available, the new members and on-going fundraising and that the Guild is doing well is so many different areas.
g. Retreats – Lauri reported that registration for the January 2027 in-town retreat will open after the 2026 fall retreat. She will coordinate registration with the incoming Web board member.
h. Web Communications – Beth Soderquist noted that new members have questions about receiving the newsletter and she is working on confirming that they are set up to receive Guild communications.
i. Community Service – Betty Ann Eash noted that storage space for donations of fabric and other supplies is full and no further space is available. If further donations are offered, Interfaith Quilters might be able to accept them. She described some of the donated fabric as possibly useful for a Guild quilt challenge. She utilized the remaining 2026 budget to purchase batting and the annual gift to Quilters Dream for use of their space for community quilts. She will provide a summary of the quilts donated in 2026.
j. Publicity – Kaea reported on the Guild's booth at Quilt-A-Fair and the various contacts made.
k. Retreats – registration for the 2027 January in-town retreat will be opening soon.
l. Show and Tell – Joan recognized the updated Show and Tell form which now lists the quilter of the quilt if different from the piecer. She would like to see a similar change made to the County Fair labeling as well.
m. Small Groups – Julie Aanonson is in the process of contacting small groups to ascertain which ones might be accepting new members and noted that Guild list needs updating.
n. Ways and Means – Joan recapped the 2026 events and noted that she will be working with Kathy Winter in 2027 to advance Guild fund raising.

13. 2027 General Board – Crystal discussed the transition and coordination between out-going board members and incoming board members. The 2027 General Board positions confirmed at this time are:

    Membership – Sue Ellis will continue
    Newsletter – Sue Hine will continue
    Program Host – Pat Baker

Retreats – Margaret Reek
Small Groups – Julie Aanonson
Special Events – Karla Lucas
Web Communications – Trish Keller
Ways and Means – Kathy Winter will continue with Joan as co-chair

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Cynthia S. Marquez

Cynthia S. Marquez, Secretary