

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 11, 2026



Called to order at 6:31 pm
Conducted by Barbara Mathews

Attendees: Barbara Mathews, Barbara (BJ) Kaiser, Barbara Filbin, Linda Adams, Linda McKenna, Eva Newman, Kay Whiteside

Absent: Vickie Mihelich, Maria Copak, Amy Printup, Evie Rienstra

MINUTES

- July Board Meeting Minutes were presented. Barbara Mathews entered a motion to approve the minutes. Linda McKenna seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- No report in Vickie Mihelich's absence. July and August reports will be presented at the September meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Eva Newman

Total Membership as of 08/14/26	72
Number of new members:	5
Number of Renewals:	2
July 21, 2026 Meeting Attendance:	44
Number of Guests:	7

- Judy Williams
- Shirley Davis
- Charlene Garcia
- Becky Bely
- Rumiko Lamme
- Vangie Garibay
- Deanna Fales
- Following discussion regarding low general meeting attendance, Eva was asked to track who has not been attending (consistently same members, etc.?)
- Eva indicated she is going to need more business cards and will check on cost, etc. with Vista Prints
- She also indicated that she will need to print more member booklets – Vickie Mihelich had indicated that she could print them free if Eva could provide the file on a flash drive. Eva will follow up with her.
- BJ Kaiser asked if it would be possible to sort for follow-up the "Interests" portion of the membership forms to determine not only areas of interest, but also any members who indicated a willingness to share their talents. Eva to provide sorted information.
- Needing membership cards for new members, Eva asked if she should contact Jeri Read or if she should just handwrite names on blank cards that she already has. Consensus of the board was that handwriting names would be fine.

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HOSPITALITY Potlucks – Linda Adams

- Aug – R, S, V
- Sept – W, Z, A
- Oct – B, C, D, E, F
- Nov – G, H, K
- Dec – All members

RETREATS – Amy Printup (via email to Barbara Mathews)

- In her absence from the August 19th general meeting, she has asked Linda Adams to collect any deposits for either retreat
- Ayres Moreno Valley Fall Retreat - Nov 13-15, 2026
 - 11 deposits holding overnight spaces (Rose has indicated plan to attend, but needs to provide non-refundable deposit)
 - 1 deposit holding space for 'sew only' guest
 - 3 on wait list for 'sew only' (reported last month: maximum 2 'sew only' allowed?)
 - Hilda Irias, Liliana Davis, and ? (could not locate her name)
 - Will be Holiday/Winter theme with 2 themed make & takes
 - Kay Whiteside will also conduct a Gee's Bend experiment
- 2027 Viña Retreat - May 24-27, 2027
 - \$50 Non-refundable deposit required to hold a space
 - 7 places filled. On additional person indicated interest, but no deposit so far
 - Thoughts for Viña – Amy will start planning in October
- Both retreats are now open to non-members
- Amy is looking into other retreat venues – Luther Glenn, for one
- Question asked about possible additional Ayres Retreat in either Spring or maybe Summer.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS - Barbara Filbin

- Attended sew days with Mary Roberts Center and Project Linus
- Networking with others for donations and help; responds when someone wants to donate fabric
- Sew It Forward starts Wednesday, August 12th
 - Creating kits
 - Some sewing possible
- 1st Wednesday (previously QOV) is open to all charity projects
- QOV – August Award ceremony - August 29th, 12:30 pm at the Goeske Center
 - Sue Carter, Kate Braniger and Dorothy Martinez will assist
 - Limited to 10 veterans
- QOV – September 20th – Private award in Hesperia
- QOV – Goeske Veterans' Day Event – November 13th
 - Limited to 19 veterans
 - BJ Kaiser to assist
- QOV – 1 additional award – date TBD

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- QOV – National Sew Day 2027 (RQG) – Saturday, January 30 at Goeske Center, Ken Calvert Room
- Special Project – *Festival of Trees* – November
 - Present a quilt for auction
 - Lead – Jeri Read
 - Piecing – Joyce Stanger
 - Quilter – TBD
 - Proceeds to UCR Medical Center (Pediatrics)

PROGRAM REPORT – Maria Copak absent

- August – Nothing on Calendar
 - Kay suggested Round Robin of different label options
 - Barbara Mathews and Kay Whiteside volunteered
 - BJ Kaiser volunteered a paper-backed fabric option with ‘yardage’ available to cut as requested. She will provide yardage as well as samples for the meeting.
 - Other names suggested were Jeri Read and Sue Carter. Barbara Mathews will follow up with them.
 - Opportunity Quilt from South Bay Quilt Guild (Hovette Ellis)
- September – Challenge Reveal
- October
 - Possible Long Arm Panel – Q&A session – recommend 4-person panel
 - Barbara Mathews to check with Maria Copak to move forward with this.
- November
 - Annual Gift Exchange – aprons
 - Final 2026 BOM pattern/layout/sample presented
- December
 - All-members Potluck
 - Game Night – several suggested games
 - Quilt Bingo, Quilt Terms (fill-in), etc.
 - Bring items to donate for prizes to the September Board Meeting
 - Present finished BOM quilts and/or flimsies (quilt tops)
 - End of Year Member gifts – iron-on logo
 - Eva Newman’s friend, Mary, is already working on them, to have them ready by October

SCCOG REPORT - Linda McKenna

- Insurance will increase from \$5.25/member to \$6.00/member in September

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT – Kay Whiteside

- Pre-General Meeting email to membership with meeting information. Information needed not later than end-of-day Thursday following the Board meeting. Information needed:
 - Brief description of program with some type of picture or graphic

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- Breakdown of last name letter for potluck
- Create Post General Meeting BLOG/Newsletter
 - Pictures from photographer including
 - All major speakers/events
 - Individual Show & Share projects
 - President's Message
 - Announcement details written or emailed
 - Block of the Month - PDF
 - Meeting minutes
- Coordinate with BJ and/or Eva the membership roster on website and email distribution lists.
- Update automatically "Other Guilds' News" on website as information is received.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Barbara Mathews

- 501c3 - Met with lawyer – actual charge was \$400
 - Paid various filing fees
 - 3-5 weeks to hear back after filing
 - Articles of Incorporation as of July 24, 2026
 - Raffle Program fee (\$30)
 - Opportunity Quilt can be started, but tickets cannot be sold for 1 year after approval is granted
- Still need nominating committee (including one board member)
- Still need updated, detailed job descriptions from all General Board members
(Completed updates can be attached to an email to BJ Kaiser in either Word or PDF format only.)
- Reminder that September Board meeting will be one week early – September 1st – as Barbara Mathews is traveling.
- Barbara will also miss the September General Meeting – Maria indicated at the July Board meeting that she will lead the meeting in Barbara's absence.
- Announced new Goeske procedures (effective July 29th), including a tablet for tracking attendance to be picked up prior to the meeting and returned to Goeske front desk at the conclusion of the meeting.
 - Eva Newman will be responsible for the tablet
- Barbara gave Kay information about events from other guilds for posting on the website.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by: BJ Kaiser