

Rocky Mountain Creative Quilters

October 16th Meeting Minutes

Introductions by those present: Susie Ratzlaff, Kathy Spiegel, Linda Hibbert, Kit Robinson (Treasurer), Maggie Burgess, Irene Kasal, Darlene Bengford, Kathleen Wood, Barbara Cohen, Genevieve Wolf, Janet Pugh, Jean Poland (Website), Janet Schramke (Newsletter), Tina Hickman, Cindy Pecarovich, Landreth Hamil, Christine Broers, Sara L B Brown, Kay Jones, Kathy Nicolai, Julie Breidt (Secretary), Cathy Lewis, Stephanie Patterson (President), Kelly Gallagher-Abbott (VP Programs and Workshops).

There are still open committee positions that need volunteers: VP Facility, Publicity, Friendship Group Liaison, and others. At the next meeting we will try to fill these spots.

Our next meeting will be November 12, the second Monday of the month, at 6:30 pm. The REA building was not available, so the location of the meeting is unknown at this time. Two weeks before the meeting, I will send out an email with the location and other details. We have a room reserved for 6:30 pm for the December 10 meeting at the REA building in Windsor, on the southeast corner of country road 5 and Hwy 392. This is .25 miles east of the interstate on the Windsor exit.

Generating money ideas:

1. Garage Sale – November 17th, Saturday only, at Stephanie Patterson's house - sell fabric, patterns and sewing items, and have a bake sale. Please bring as much as you can for selling at the sale. We are expecting a lot of people and want to have lots to offer. Bring items for sale to Stephanie's house by the 12th of November. Stephanie would like to know: Does anyone have a large coffee maker to give coffee to people during the garage sale? Does anyone have large tables to help with displaying the goodies for sale? Everyone can help by emailing people we know who would be interested in coming to the sale and letting them know about it. Please call (674 – 1123) or email (spec860@earthlink.net) Stephanie if you can help her in other ways to prepare for this fundraiser.
2. Collect dues from members at the next meeting - \$30 for a yearly membership to Rocky Mountain Creative Quilters.
3. Desk Calendar – Kit Robinson will be heading this up with Kelly. They will sell for \$10 each. We would like to sell them at the garage sale, so if you have an art quilt for submission, please send photo to Kit at kit@norova.com ASAP.

Meeting locations for our monthly meetings starting in January:

We talked about many locations in the Fort Collins, I-25 corridor area. Windsor Community Recreation Center, Elks Lodge, Lincoln Center, Koi Room at Loveland church, Centerra, MCR, and REA were discussed. Keeping the location close to I-25 was generally agreed upon, since we will be drawing members from Wyoming to Broomfield. We will reserve the location from 6:30 to 9:30 with the meetings being from 7 to 9 pm. Cathy Lewis will look into details so we can make a decision at the next meeting.

Meeting dates for the monthly meetings that will start in January:

We had talked about meeting the third Tuesday of each month, but now are considering the second Monday, third Wednesday, and the second Wednesday – depending on the availability of the locations. The second Monday is preferred and will be the date of the next planning meeting in November.

We discussed a variety of names, but all voted and agreed on Rocky Mountain Creative Quilters as the name of our group. If this is not a unique name we will have to choose a unique name at the next meeting. Kit will check uniqueness before our next meeting.

We discussed the speakers for our group. The desire to have people that do not duplicate LNCQ speakers was stated and agreed with. The fact that we are a new group (not much money yet) and we are setting up speakers "last minute" for the upcoming year was also mentioned. Locals might have a more flexible schedule and have lower costs for hosting. Kit Robinson and Kelly Gallagher-Abbott will collect names of people suggested by the members and contact the prospective speakers. The person for the first meeting in January needs to be finalized before the next meeting in November, but the input of the group is requested for the future speakers. This is your group, think about who you would love to see come speak at the meetings.

Article of Incorporation – This was led by Kit Robinson. We need to file the articles with the state within the next month in order to set up our bank account. We are using the successful Longmont guild articles as a guide for our application. After the articles are filed with the state, we have 15 months to submit our 501(c)(3) non-profit status application with the IRS.

Stephanie and Kelly and Kit will all be able to sign on the group's bank account. Kit will look into First National Bank to be the group's bank. Others will be considered if First National is not advantageous.

Quilt show August 24, 2008 was discussed. The show would display the Hoffman challenge as well as work we have submitted. The entrants are not judged. We talked about having open demonstrations instead of classes. Landrith Hamil, Kathy Spiegel and Linda Hibbert are the committee to set this in motion. The 1st National Bank Building at the Budweiser Event Center was a favorable location to the group. This is the location of the Quilt Shop Hop for the past 2 years.

As the secretary, Julie Breidt will send out a reminder of the meeting two weeks prior to the email list of members. She will also type up the meeting minutes and distribute them to the email list of members.

Web site – Lunar Pages was chosen for the amount of support they provide and ease of use. Cost will be \$168 for two years.

Quilter's Studio – quilt meeting on third Thursday of the month in Longmont from 10 to 1. Show and discuss quilts brought to the meeting. Email cbroers@comcast.net for more information.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Breidt, Secretary of Rocky Mountain Creative Quilters