

WYOMING STATE QUILT GUILD
Board of Directors Meeting
Sept. 13, 2026 (revised)

Julie Haptonstall, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Secretary Kathy Sanderson did the roll call. Members attending on-line were Tammy Day, Julie Haptonstall, Susie Hermansen, Margaret Immenschuh, Nena James, Carol Kolf, Kayleen Logan, Chris Mevissen, Virginia Ohr, April Pendleton, Kathy Sanderson, Jean Schroeder, Cathe Tuttle, Robin Wacker and Cathy Wisner. Absent members were Diana Clark, Mary Lee Dixon, Sue Erpelding, Cindy Jahn-Thomas, Sondra Nelson and Kristi Smith. A quorum was met.

April moved to approve the agenda; Nena seconded. Passed.

Kayleen had sent the minutes of the year-end meeting held July 12, 2026, in Powell. Carol moved to approve; April seconded. Passed.

Several thank-you's, etc. were scanned and sent to the Board. These included Park, Johnson, Sheridan, Washakie and Sublet County Libraries; and Blake Thorpe who received a WSQG membership, \$50 and a ribbon from the State Fair. Kayleen will send any remaining correspondence she has to Kathy S., who will give to Cathe T. and Margaret to keep with the historical records.

Kathy S. asked each Board member to send their most recent inventory list to her so she can begin work on the master list. Per Virginia, it is in the bylaws that all Board members must e-mail an inventory of property under their charge and said location to the WSQG Board before May 1st each year.

Carol sent the corrected Treasurer's report today. She stated we are down about \$8,000 in current total income from last year at this same time, including membership dues and advertising. The opportunity quilt has brought in \$11,095.29. April asked why we would be worried about finances when the Guild has \$106,000 in cash and CDs. Carol responded that \$50,000 of that is the QW26 account, which will probably be diminished as soon as Lauren Andrist, Chair, gets the bill from the Powell College. Carol is also worried about the accessible money; the CDs are there, but she said we certainly don't want to touch them. After more discussion, Chris moved to approve the treasurer's report for July and August as written; Tammy seconded. Passed.

Julie read an update text from Josy Daniel, Chair, as to QW27: "Quilt Wyoming 2027 is right on track for getting everything in place for the July conference in Gillette. We will be having a meeting this coming Saturday, the 19th, in Gillette to finalize the last few things. We will be getting our regional teachers' requests and vendor requests out right after the meeting. The Opportunity Quilt as you all know is finished and we have had very nice comments on how fantastic it turned out. The

committee is all getting excited for our turn to plan and execute a very fun and productive two days of classes, trunk shows and fabulous fun for all the quilters."

Lauren Andrist's report on QW26 was read into the meeting: "We have our final wrap-up meeting on September 18th. All comments we got were good. Still bugging the college for a final bill, as well as the printer."

April reported that QW28 is getting together at the end of September and everything is going along really well.

Cathy W. gave an update on QW29 in the Southeast region which will be held at LCCC. The committee has met several times and is working on the logo and the opportunity quilt pattern. They've sent out a poll to see if quilters want a 2- or 3-day retreat. One national teacher's name that keeps coming up is Scott Flanagan. Their next meeting is November 8th in Cheyenne.

Julie next asked for reports from officers and regional directors. As President, she has no report at this time.

April, President Elect, ordered and sent out name tags to all the Board. Wearing them will help advertise the Guild and hopefully get more people participating.

Past President Nena said she'll be working on the Golden Thimble award as we get closer to QW27.

Virginia reported that the *Patchwords* newsletter will be mailed on Sept. 18, that we are mailing 400, but it could be more expensive because we have 755 members. It was noted that perhaps we could push for more people to get their copy online. Cathe T. asked if Virginia has access to newsletters from the past and they will get together about that.

Jean reported on the increase in quilts displayed at the Wyoming State Fair. The QW27 opportunity quilt was displayed and tickets sold. All 12 of the WSQG's awards were given and will be noted in *Patchwords*. A change was made to have our treasurer send the award money to recipients instead of the State Fair. This made the winners more aware of where the awards came from and as a result we received more thank you's than in the past. There was also discussion about the youth division.

Jean also reported that Chris' quilt camp continues to be very successful. The Evanston camp approved in June didn't get off the ground. The Park County Extension camp has been postponed from July. The Wright camp will be held the first weekend in October. Jean hasn't received an application for a camp in Jackson, but will reach out on that. More interest usually comes from 4-H agents after they receive our information.

For the Central region, Chris reported that she and Tammy have met and are getting on board with processes, etc.

Robin stated that the Northeast region recently had a retreat in Sheridan with 55 people attending. They are going to have another one in Newcastle next February.

There was no report for the Northwest region.

Cathy W. reported for the Southeast region that the Quilts Along the Platte show is to be held Sept. 25th. There are several events and retreats coming up, including Robin Dempsey who is going to teach a bargello class, a retreat at the YMCA in Scottsbluff, one in Saratoga during hunting season, and a trunk show on doll clothes. In July, Platte Valley Arts Council in Saratoga hosted a Cherrywood quilt show which featured 20" square quilts that tour the U.S. each year after the Cherrywood Contest closes.

For the Southwest region, Susie said the Best Kind Shop in Evanston is having a vintage windmill class and there will be two retreats in late October. They've had an initial meeting for QW30. During the summer they had a barn block session.

There were no further reports.

There was no old business.

For new business, Carol stated that the opportunity quilt is now covered by insurance up to \$15,000. We no longer have to buy insurance when shipping it. The letter given to the insurance company stating the quilt value needs to be updated every 1-2 years.

There was a long discussion about the Southeast region's retreat held last April and the fact that: 1) the required paperwork to show they did not make a profit was not timely filed by Diana Clark and Cathy W.; 2) they did not budget \$460 for two meals. Nena and Carol decided to pay the invoice to keep on good terms with LCCC, but took the funds out of the SE 2027 budget; 3) an unknown person did not pay \$75 for the retreat; 4) there was a \$10 bank fee on a returned check; and 5) two people became new WSQG members so that they could get the retreat price, but the money was put into the SE account instead of being sent to the treasurer. Due to these unresolved issues, Cathy W. requested that WSQG not sponsor the October retreat. LCCC requires an event to be insured which is accomplished by the Guild's sponsorship. After more discussion, Robin moved to cancel the October retreat in Cheyenne due to the fact that payment or the books have not been finalized for the April retreat; Carol seconded. Passed, with Cathy W. abstaining. Julie will inform Diana Clark of such decision.

Julie next asked for volunteers to be on a bylaw committee. They will be Julie, Nena, Virginia, April and Kathy S. Julie will set up a meeting.

A member of the State Fair approached Julie to see if the WSQG would like to advertise or add support by doing a float in the parade on August 14, 2027. Someone mentioned that Jackie from the Quilters' Fix in Sheridan might offer her

car that has a quilt over it. Cathe T. and Kathy W. will join Julie on a committee to organize this.

The next Board meeting is an in-person meeting on November 7 at 10:30 a.m. in Casper, with the place to be determined.

Julie adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.