## Camarillo Quilters Association General Meeting Minutes May 13, 2025

President Patti Westberg opened the meeting at 9:32 AM. She welcomed everyone in attendance, reminding all to silence their cell phones and check in at the membership table. May birthdays were celebrated in song.

## **Announcements:**

Dalya Dektor asked those who had completed quilts for the Panel Challenge to place them on the tables on the right side of the room. Voting will take place during the break.

Barbara MacDonald encouraged everyone to submit ideas for the newsletter to her.

Becky Lowe thanked Judy Carpenter and Kathy Adams for their help at the refreshment table during the past year. She encouraged members to consider volunteering for this team, as there will be no refreshments unless someone steps forward.

Lisa Gorski encouraged members to vote for their favorite hat as part of the Hats Off Challenge. She gave voting instructions. Lisa thanked the membership for their participation in the Block of the Month program during the two years of her leadership.

Eva Wharton introduced the Mystery Bag Fund Raiser which will start in June. Members will have the opportunity to buy a closed brown lunch bag for \$5. The contents are guaranteed to be worth \$10 or more.

Debbie Bayer reported that the deadline for entries in the Ventura County Fair is July 10. The drop-off days are July 18-20. The Quilt on a Stick theme is "Farm Animals". There is now a professional division for anyone who has ever been paid for their quilts or their quilting.

Pamuela Hodson gave thanks to everyone for sharing their wonderful work. The next quilt give-away will be held at CQA's June meeting. The sorting work will take place on June 6 at 10 AM. Contact Pamuela if you would like

to help. There are quilts that need quilting and a few that need labels at the Comfort Givers table.

Shayne Liess reported that the Poinsettia Pavillion retreat is full. The retreat on August 16-18 in Buellton has 11 spots available. Contact the Creation Station directly to register. Members can pay \$50 extra to have an extra day of quilting. There is a block of rooms set aside at the Hampton Inn for our group. All details are on the CQA website.

## Treasurer's Report:

CD \$34,982.56 Savings \$18,816.85 Checking \$12,411.84 Total \$66,176.79

Adriana Van der Graaf stated that it is very important for payment to speakers and instructors be made in a timely manner. Please call Adriana directly if you have not received a check when you expect it.

Lynn Jurss thanks everyone for the support of the library in the past two years. Lisa Gorski is forming a team to make it possible for members to continue enjoying the library. See Lisa to volunteer. There are several new books to check out. Please sign out a crate to keep for the next two months.

Vanessa Buescher reported that Wednesday's workshop has a few spots available. Workshop fees will go up to \$45 beginning at the July meeting. Those who are holding gift certificates worth \$40 will be asked to pay an extra \$5 beginning in July. She also reminded members that only those registered for the workshops should come to the classroom. It is a distraction for the teacher and the students to have visitors.

Rose Gamboa awarded a check to Pam Lindsey, CQA member and former president. She lost her home in the Thomas fire. Pam thanked everyone for their support and assistance. She recommended that those who do quilting professionally purchase business insurance.

Dalya Dektor thanked those who participated in the Panel Challenge and encouraged everyone to turn their quilts into Comfort Givers. Dalya received a donation of fabric from Northcote Fabrics which will be given to Ways &

Means She also encouraged members to put an addendum on their insurance policy to cover the fabric collection and sewing machine(s). Dalya also reported that there would be no free table at the June meeting.

Patti Westberg announced the slate of officers for 2025-26. They include Wendy VanLoo and Shayne Liess, co-presidents; Rose Gamboa, vice president; Adriana Van der Graaf, treasurer; and Barbara Witman, secretary. Patrice Lambourne moved, and Kathy Antrobus seconded, to approve the slate of officers. The motion passed unanimously.

Patti Westberg asked that the members review the projected budget for 2025-26 which is available at the Communications table. The members will vote on it at the June meeting.

Winners of the Panel Challenge and the Hats Off Contest will be announced after the Ways & Means raffle and before Show & Tell. Everyone was asked to vote during the break.

Rose Gamboa presented Patti Westberg with a thank you gift for her year of leadership to CQA.

The group took a break from 10:13 to 10:35.

Cindy Meyers from Ontario, California, gave a very interesting presentation regarding quilt challenges, including many beautiful wearables. Ms. Meyers has an amazing talent!

Patti Westberg announced the raffle winners.

Jane Rudd won the Panel Challenge. Dalya Dektor reported that there is a movie on the Netflix called "The Quilters" which might be of interest to the members.

Lisa Gorski announced that the winning hat was the blue, sparkly top hat made by Teresa Torres. Runners up were the white beaded top hat and the red, rose filled hat. Lisa also announced that 15 people participated in the Block of the Month program. Eight of those completed all 12 block. The Block of the Month winners were Jan Hunter, Debbie Carr, and Debbie Bayer.

The group enjoyed the members' quilts during Show & Tell.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:53.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Witman Secretary