

Kansas Longarm Quilters
General Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Tricia Lehman, KQL President.

We had 7 new members join KLQ, 4 at the Quilt Show and 3 at the August Meeting. We now have 65 members.

Old Business

Tricia asked for volunteers to quilt the remainder of the 20 MQS charity quilts that she brought home from MQS. One quilt was especially beautiful and Tricia asked for a volunteer to custom quilt that quilt and it would be used as an Opportunity Quilt to gain donations for the charity of choice for the 2013 MQS. The drop off site for MQS quilts for October will be Evelyn Gernaat's house which is on the Quilt Room Tour.

Tricia asked members to pick up their business cards that were displayed at the Common Threads Quilt Show KLQ booth.

Our October meeting will be the Quilt Room Tour hosted by Evelyn Gernaat, Susan McMillan and Linda Fiegel (Kim Hull demo). The tour will start at 9 a.m. with demos at 9 -10 -11 a.m.

Each host will do their demo 3 times during the morning tour. Passports will be at each site to encourage everyone to attend all three demos. There will be a drawing of completed passports and a prize donated by Kim at The Quilting Connection will be awarded to the winner. After the Quilt Room Tour is over members are invited to meet for lunch.

The election of KLQ board officers will be held in October also. Ballots and a ballot box will be available at Evelyn Gernaat's studio on the Quilt Room Tour.

The following are the nominees for board positions:

President	Linda Fiegel
Vice President/Programs (Combined this year)	Evelyn Gernaat
Secretary	Helen Thomas
Treasurer	Richard Crawford
Directory/Membership (combined this year)	Kristie Patton
Hospitality	JoAnn Blackmore
Newsletter	Julie Crawford
Webmaster	Randy Conyers
Members at Large	Wanda Pinkerton-Holly Tricia Lehman (facility)

Program

Evelyn Gernaat, Linda Fiegel, Helen Thomas and Kristie Patton presented a program on How to Start and Run an Efficient Long Arm Business. Evelyn talked about how to assess if your Long Arm business is profitable and how to get a tax ID number, a city license and research that should be done before starting a business. Linda Fiegel talked about the Pros and Cons of running a Long Arm business and demonstrated the Record Keeping and Bookkeeping program she uses for her business. Helen Thomas explained how to write a business plan and Kristie Patton shared pictures of tools and products she uses to make her business more efficient. Other members shared their business tips and methods to enhance efficiency.

Mary Hibbs gave a short report on volunteer needs for MQS. She reported that Cheryl Nordstedt, a PQG member and the volunteer coordinator for the Common Threads Quilt Show, will be the new MQS Volunteer Chair. Cheryl will begin signing up volunteers for the 2013 MQS in at the February 2013 meeting

Several members shared quilts they had pieced and quilted.

Tricia asked members to vote on whether to reinstitute the pot luck lunch or go out for lunch. Members voted to go out for lunch so various restaurants were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Evelyn Gernaat, Secretary KLQ