February 12th, 2004 General Meeting Coastal Quilters Guild Inc.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Susan West at 7:00pm. Six guests and five new members were announced. Show and Tell followed with the following participants: Isabel Downs, Susan _____, Isabel Coleman, Nola Ferguson, Diane Moore, Nora McMeeking, Ingrid Engmyr, Kristin Otte, Sonia Eston, Nancy King, Erma Sheaha, Karen Pickford.

About 20 models showed off their handmade scarves.

The beautiful Opportunity Quilt which was on display is an adaptation of a Wanda Livernois Album quilt. The committee of about 20 members who worked on it was introduced.

Penny Odom made the announcement that 2 places became available in Friday's workshop with Mickey Lawler. She also announced next month's guest, Robyn Pandolf, who will speak on Liberating Applique.

Nora McMeeking announced the talk by John Gillow from England on ethnic textiles on February 24th from 7:30-9:30 at the Schott Center. Our members are admitted free.

Betty Kelly announced that the next quilt show meeting is March 15th. It will meet at the Miravilla Retirement Community on Calle Real in Goleta. She also asked for help with a window display at the Main Library. Penny Odom said she has 12,000 bookmark ads for our quilt show. She asked anyone who is going out of town to a quilt show to please take some.

Evelyn Gorrindo named her assistant, Marilyn Osgood, for the Boutique portion of the Quilt Show. This is where we may sell finished sewn craft items. 15% of the sale goes to the guild show committee.

Cynthia Manzer announced the CHALLENGE THEME for 2004 to be, earth, water, wind and fire. It has to be a quilt no more than 30 by 30 inches. It can contain one, two, three or four of the above-mentioned elements.

Susan West announced shows coming up in Glendale and Fresno. She also asked if anyone would be willing to coordinate rides to these or other shows. Susan said ONE refreshment helper is needed.

The break was held at this time.

Our speaker was introduced immediately after the break.

Mickey Lawler spoke on "Creating Your Own Fabric." She showed many of her painted sky fabrics and other unique fabrics. She showed slides of her process and gave good explanations of her techniques. Her website is skydyes.com.

The Block of the Month, of which there were many, was won by Lucia Akau. Several door prizes were awarded. The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Respectfully submitted, Paulette Ley