

Carolina Clay Matters
General Meeting
September 20, 2026

Brett Beasley convened meeting at 3:01PM

Lisa Kowitt presented an overview of her home studio.

The General Meeting started at 3:23PM

Brett discussed the issue of the location of our in-person meetings - as Sip City has proved to be a difficult location

- He will do an in person visit to Maker's Space
- He requested that members send him suggestions as to other spaces to explore understanding that we will need as many as 250 parking spaces

Brett reminded that we have two good resources

- Members section of website: Password Clay4Fun!2026
- Facebook members page

Kait Kelsey, the Festival Chair provided an update

- Met with Levine personnel about Fall Show
 - Buses will remain there for this year
- Timeline
 - September 29 – booth map and assignments will be sent
 - September 29- orientation for new participants – Kait will send Zoom link
 - October 3 – large information packet email will be sent
- Load In
 - If you haven't signed up you will be assigned a spot
 - You may be assigned a load in +/- 20 minutes from your requested time, if too many people are loading in at the same time in the same area
- Booth Sharing – Stephanie Rickaby is looking for someone with whom she can share a booth; Kait will share the list of potters registered and Stephanie will reach out to individual potters
- Save-the-date postcards for the May festival will not be printed until the contract for Camp North End has been finalized. (Camp North End is under new management and is still working out contracts.)
- Volunteer tasks – you will get one meeting waived and one point in the split quota model for doing a volunteer task. Volunteers are still needed:
 - Sign Team - on Sunday October 4 help install sign on Monroe Road - 1 of 2 filled
 - Sign Team - Sign on Monroe Road - take down- 2 openings
 - Sign Team - Place signs on Saturday Morning- 4 openings
 - Sanitation- place trash cans around Festival with liners- 1 of 2 filled

- Sanitation - dispose of trash at end of show- 1 of 2 filled
- Sit at Information Booth and help with breakdown (3-4pm)- 2 of 4 filled
- No one will be picking up stuff at CCC. All being handled with a mover

Dan Hebert- Treasurer Report

- Current
 - \$40,000- cash on hand
 - \$17,200 – took in last quarter
 - \$5,000 – expenses (waiting for expenses from Festival)
 - \$11,110 – net which will be drawn down based on festival expenses
 - P&L looks good
- Reimbursement for Festival Expenses
 - Due no later than October 20
 - Please email Dan information with receipt, your name and address so he can send a check

Programs

- Brett announced for Suzanne – looking for pre-meeting presenters/demos for 2027

Membership

- No new members in past month
- New members can join as early as November for 2027 which will gain them an opportunity for a meeting requirement at the November meeting
 - This covers November, December and 2027
 - The guild does not prorate membership fees

Festival Marketing – Mel

- Festival flyers are available for pick up at CCC
- For those who had new yard signs in May, there are band aids to cover the Camp North End address and add the Levine address
- Social Media
 - When you post, please tag the Guild and they will re-post
 - Reach out to Mel if you need some social media help

Holiday Sale

- Reach out to Jinny Hargrave who will be running the holiday sale
- The Guild is no longer spearheading this event

Board Positions

- We will be voting in November on 2027 Board positions so reach out to Brett if you are interested in being included on the slate

The meeting was adjourned at 3:56PM

