January 9, 2024 Quarterly meeting:

President	
	 Rent will likely be increasing when we next need to negotiate our rent in the next couple of months. Will attempt to get a long term lease (5 years). We are maxed out on space. The studio is being used more frequently all day. It's being used from 9am to 2am. There will be a Vote on Dissolution Article that will go out to members in the upcoming months. The election process for the board will start in April. Three membership positions will be open for a two year term: operations, membership, and vice president.
Treasurer	
	 Currently at 45,000K in bank Last year we raised 67,400 dollars mostly through dues; some was earned through classes and workshops. We spent last year around 56,400 last year Surplus of just under 11k brought in last year. Member emailed about investing savings for return. This will be looked into by the board for allowed opportunities.
Operations	
	 Holiday firings went well. Smooth process and everything was fired on time. Less items than last year. We were able to maintain firing one kiln at a time. The December utility bill was around \$500 compared to previous years being around 2K thanks to changing firing operations to have only 1 kiln running at a time. One membership shelving unit was removed (next to heater) to make room for reclaim buckets. The members moved to other shelf spots and this shelf was moved to make additional drying space. Reclaim buckets are owned by many members; many people store and don't reclaim their clay. They get stinky if they are not being cared for. Some buckets are overflowing and when moved for cleaning they spilled. If you have a reclaim bucket please don't just leave them there; please recycle your clay.
Membership	

- The before Holiday Cleanup was successful- 15 people attended over three time slots. Cleanup times occurred during the day, an evening, and on a weekend morning. Everything on the list of to dos were complete.
- As a reward for those who came, a raffle occurred for those who participated - 2 people won 50\$ Baileys certificates, Rebecca and Clair!
- There will be big cleanups going forwards 2 times per a year. The next cleanup will be in Spring.
- Party on January 13th at 5pm please feel free to RSVP and bring friend or another person; supposed to be a fun social event
 - Raffle with 18 bags of glazes and underglazes, gift cards to baileys, tools, clay, and other great prizes
 - o Pottery Swap
 - Please reach out to Jen if interested in joining party crew
- New members 3 new members (2 will join the party) please say hello and welcome the new members!
- A few members moved to associate
- Full membership is at the magic number of 50
- Waiting list is at 64; currently closed.

Education

- Lindsay has kindly organized many great workshops!
- Please see the website for information. There will be alternative firing opportunities and guests coming!
- A school wanted to bring students for a tour. Membership will investigate what they are looking for. It may be more appropriate to inform them about the Art Center. Education will look into what they are looking for and our liability coverage.