

HIGH POINT QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Via Zoom

Thursday, January 8, 2026 | 6:30 p.m. ET

CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

After confirming a quorum, President Karen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. She welcomed the 23 members in attendance.

BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

Karen invited the guild members to handle two items of business that required guild action.

- **Approval of Minutes from the December 11, 2025 Meeting**

The minutes were sent to members via email for review. After a motion by Sherri and a second by Diantha, the minutes were approved unanimously.

- **Approval of the Treasurer's Report**

Members were sent the treasurer's report for review prior to the meeting. Alicia, who serves as assistant treasurer, provided a brief report.

- Beginning Balance: \$7,052.70
- Income: \$365.00
- Expenses: \$226.00
- Ending Balance: \$7,191.70
- CD: \$10,000.00
- Total Balance: \$17,191.70

Following Alicia's report, Juanita offered a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Janet seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Alicia also reported that the raffle bundle fundraising efforts have yielded a profit of \$1,041.25 to date.

FEATURED PROGRAM

Nova Montgomery, a quilter and quilt historian, presented the featured program. Montgomery is an independent professional instructor and lecturer who loves sharing her passion for quilts and history with audiences and workshop participants. Her relaxed style draws her audiences into the lecture and has made her a popular speaker with civic groups as well as quilt guilds. She has served as a guest lecturer at Texas A&M University, and a member of the teaching faculty at the Vermont Quilt Festival, the Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival, and the International Quilt Festival in Houston. She was the featured teacher for Featherweight Frenzy at the International Quilt Study Center in Lincoln, NE. Additionally, her writing has been published in The American Quilter. Montgomery presented the program, "Quilting in Colonial America."

RECOGNITION OF BIRTHDAYS

Following the program, Karen recognized those members who have birthdays in January.

BOARD MEETING REPORT

The board members of the guild had a board meeting on Monday, January 5. During that meeting, the board finalized the details of the January 10th Launch Party; decided to send the treasurer's report and meeting minutes separately prior to each monthly meeting; began discussing the formation of the 2027 Program Committee; changed the President's Challenge deadline from December to November; and renamed Saturday Sew/Project Day to "Stitching Saturday" to be inclusive of all fiber arts.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Charity Quilt Committee
Karen thanked Angie P. who has chaired the Charity Committee for several years. Angie desires to step back from this responsibility. Karen invited guild members to consider chairing the Charity Committee and contact her if they are interested. The February meeting's program will highlight the Charity Quilt program.
- Education Committee
Karen is looking for someone to chair this committee; members are to contact her if interested. Susan Brubaker Knapp is teaching four classes at Old Murphey School in Durham, NC. Registration is open for 2026 classes. Information and registration is available at <https://susanbrubakerknapp.corsizio.com>.
- Fundraising / Raffle Bundle
The HPQG current fundraiser is a raffle bundle: "Seasonal Bundle of Joy," which includes a collection of 14 different season-themed items. Tickets are available to purchase and for members to sell to others. If anyone has unsold tickets, please return them to Susan. The drawing for the bundle will be in November 2026, and fundraising will take place until then or until all 2,000 tickets are sold. As reported in the treasurer's report earlier in the meeting, efforts have yielded a profit of \$1,041.25 to date
- Hospitality / Special Events
The Launch Party is on Saturday, January 10, 2026, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Members were sent an invitation by email with the details. All members and any guests are welcome to attend and learn more about the High Point Quilt Guild and plans for the 2026 year.
- Programs
The 2026 Program Committee has put together a year of interesting programs. Next month's program will feature the Charity Quilt Program. Since the founding of the guild, members have made more than 1,500 quilts for adult cancer patients at the Hayworth

Cancer Center at High Point Hospital. The program will share the history and guidelines of the program. Joann, who has quilted many of the projects, will share her experience, and Mary Beth will offer a quilt-as-you-go demonstration.

- Spring Retreat

The Spring Retreat, held on Saturday, April 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., will be a workshop instructing attendees how to make a project bag. This project will be taught by Jill Bowman, a one-time member of the guild, and will cost \$18. There is room for 10 attendees. Signups for the workshop begin at the Launch Party on January 10.

- Fall Retreat

The Fall Retreat at Haw River State Park will be held on October 22-25, 2026. Sign up forms are available on the website and will be at the Launch Party. Questions can be directed to Alicia or Kelly.

- Stitching Saturday

The first Stitching Saturday will be held on January 10 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The special Launch Party will be held on that day from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. If there are questions about Stitching Saturday, contact Juanita.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- President's Challenge

Details about the President's Challenge were included in the January newsletter and will be distributed at the Launch Party.

- UFO Tracking

The last opportunity to participate in UFO Tracking will be on Saturday at the Launch Party. The effort will go until November. Susan is leading that effort and can answer questions.

- BASICS Class

The BASICS Class, described at previous meetings, starts in February. These classes will be held on each month's Stitching Saturday. The first class will review rotary cutters, cutting mats and the principles around cutting. Small projects will help practice some of the basics throughout the year. Susan will lead these classes and more information will be available at the Launch Party.

- Mentoring

Susan and other experienced members are available to help answer quilting questions for projects. Susan will be available on Stitching Saturdays

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- February 12 Program: The next program will be about the HPQG Charity Quilt Program.
- February's Northwood Donation: The February donation item for Northwood Community Center is pasta and pasta sauce (no glass containers).
- Stitching Saturday: The Stitching Saturday will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Launch Party will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Other: Two or three people are needed for the April program to create a sample scrap block. Contact Karen if available and interested.

ADJOURNMENT

Following all business, Karen adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine
HPQG Secretary