

HIGH POINT QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Northwood Community Center | High Point, NC

Thursday, February 12, 2026 | 6:30 p.m. ET

CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

After confirming a quorum, President Karen T. called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. She welcomed the 27 members and 2 guests in attendance. She welcomed those on Zoom and recognized members with birthdays in February.

BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

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

- **Approval of Minutes from the January 8, 2026 Meeting**

Prior to the meeting, the minutes were sent to members via email for review. One correction was made. After a motion by Janet and a second by Joann, the minutes were approved unanimously with the correction.

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

Members were sent the treasurer's report for review prior to the meeting. Karen provided a brief report.

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| - Beginning Balance (as of Dec. 31, 2025): | \$7,191.70 |
| - Income/Deposits: | \$2,449.00 |
| - Expenses: | (\$1228.20) |
| - Ending Balance: | \$8,412.70 |
| - CD: | \$10,000.00 |
| - Total Balance (as of January 8, 2026): | \$18,412.70 |

Following Karen's report, Joann offered a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Gail seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Education Committee

Cabarrus Quilters Guild is having their 2026 Splash of Color Quilt Show on June 19-20, 2026. Members of the High Point Quilt Guild were invited to participate in the judged show that will take place. More information about the show and the judging is available at <https://cabarrusquiltersguild.org/2026-quilt-show>.

- 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 sold or unsold tickets, please

return them to Susan. She will have the incentive treasure chest next meeting to cash in points for prizes. 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 – whichever comes first.

Susan also shared that she will take the raffle bundle to the Salisbury Quilt Guild meeting on March 5 at 9:30 a.m. She asked for another person to serve as a back-up should she not be able to attend. She is also pursuing other opportunities to share the raffle bundle including in the Burlington area and at the Mendenhall Plantation. She will share more when she has additional information.

- Program Committee

Next month's program will feature a "Dear Jane" birthday party, which will celebrate the woman and quilt that she created in the 1860s. The April meeting will be "Scrapapalooza!" and will share ideas of what to do with scraps of fabric and yarn. In May, the program will be "Living on the Edge," exploring various techniques of edging of quilts and blankets.

- Spring Retreat

The spring retreat, "Make a Project Bag with Jill Bowman," will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The retreat is full, but there is a waiting list. If anyone is interested in adding their name to the waiting list, notify Karen.

- Stitching Saturday

Stitching Saturday will be held on February 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. If there are questions about Stitching Saturday, contact Juanita. Susan will also be holding her BASICS class from 12:30 - 1 p.m. It will review the rotary cutter, cutting mat and acrylic ruler. At 1 p.m., there will be a sew-along session making a small quilt that utilizes cutting, measuring and sewing techniques. The guild was also given a large donation of fabric to be used for charity quilts. That fabric will be available for guild members to take and use for their charity quilt projects.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- President's Challenge

Karen provided a reminder about the challenge to make a stocking for the students who are part of the Northwood Community Center. There is a sign-up sheet to make sure that all ages are covered.

- UFO Tracking

Tracking UFOs will take place until November. In order to get credit for completing a UFO, members must show Susan and Diantha. Susan is leading that effort and can answer questions.

- BASICS Class
The BASICS Class starts on February 14. These classes will be held on each 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.
- Mentoring
Susan and other experienced members are available on Stitching Saturdays to help answer quilting questions for projects.

FEATURED PROGRAM

The February program was focused on the Charity Quilt Program. Karen provided a brief history of how the Charity Quilt Program started. It has been a cornerstone project since the founding of the High Point Quilt Guild. She passed around photo albums that documented the program. In total, members of the guild have contributed 1,548 quilts in 14 years to the Hayworth Cancer Center at High Point Hospital.

Karen also noted that Elizabeth B., a member of the guild, has taken advantage of her employer's volunteer program. For time spent working on charity work, the employer will pay \$100 per volunteer hour, up to eight hours. This year, Elizabeth invested more than eight hours making charity quilts, and because of that, her employer gave the guild a donation of \$800.

Karen shared that the guild will provide batting, bobbins, tape and labels to members who make quilt tops for the Charity Quilt Program. She shared several ideas for easy quilt tops that could be made quickly as charity quilts – orphan blocks, panel, quilt as you go, pre-cuts, jelly rolls, whole cloth. Karen and other members also shared their samples, including quilts for women and men. Susan shared an example of a quilt and passed out a pattern for members to use.

Joann, who has been the primary quilter of the tops for the guild, shared her experience with the Charity Quilt Program. She passed out and reviewed a checklist for preparing a quilt top for longarm quilting. Contact Joann for a copy of the checklist.

Mary Beth offered a demonstration of the quilt-as-you-go technique. She also had a handout to describe the method; see Mary Beth for a copy.

The guild then had a discussion about various elements of the program and the process of producing the charity quilts. Those who knit or crochet were also invited to participate by making blankets or hats for the cancer patients. Karen offered a variety of ways to become involved – partner with someone else or get a group together during Stitching Saturday – and she will follow-up with partners at Hayworth Cancer Center on some of the guild members' specific questions.

Guidelines for charity quilts are available on the High Point Quilt Guild website at <https://www.highpointquiltguild.com/charity-quilts>. Contact Karen with additional questions.

INTERVIEW A MEMBER

Donna interviewed guild member, Elizabeth B. She shared about herself and her quilting journey. She talked about her employer, who donates money to the quilt guild for charity work, and showed several examples of the variety of fiber work she has created over the years.

DOOR PRIZE / SHOW & TELL

Mary Beth won this month's door prize, and guild members showed completed projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- March 12 Program: The next program will be the "Dear Jane" birthday party.
- March Northwood Donation: The March donation item for Northwood Community Center is canned vegetables and instant potatoes.
- Stitching Saturday: The Stitching Saturday will be held on Saturday, February 14, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This event is free for guild members. Donated fabric for charity quilts will be available.

ADJOURNMENT

Following all business, Karen adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine
HPQG Secretary