

General Meeting Minutes - August 2025

August 2, 2025 / Exeter Public Library, Exeter, NH

Seacoast Modern Quilt Guild, P.O. Box 112, Exeter, NH 03833

Meeting Called to Order

10:09 AM

President's Remarks - Joanne Giblin

1. Welcome members and guests.
2. We are still in need of 2 board positions, Member at Large/newsletter, and Vice President. We also need help in the area of fundraising.
3. We will have a table at the Exeter Library Craft Fair on Saturday, September 13. We will be selling raffle tickets for a Janome sewing machine and 2 quilts. Volunteers are also needed to help on the day of the fair. Contact Joanne Giblin if you are able to help out.
4. The Boston Modern Quilt Guild has invited us to join their fall retreat Nov. 6-9 at the Franciscan House in Kennebunk, ME.
5. The board has met to go over the current bylaws and the updates are currently being incorporated into the file.
6. Our next meeting will be September 6.
7. Julie Avant won the name tag raffle prize.

Lottery Blocks



Kathy Box explained what the next lottery block will be but she did not have handouts. She will post the instructions on our website.

Membership - Diana Irish

Diana Irish reported that Charlene Smith has agreed to help her at the check-in table.

- **Members present:** 29
- **Guests:** 1
- **New Members:** 2

Treasurer - Julie Avant

- \$8,014 in bank funds
- \$150 in dues held
- \$7,854 in Net Assets
- \$263 Net received from the New Castle Crafts Fair

Secretary - Mary Young

- There were no minutes for the July meeting due to the informal nature of the meeting

Fundraising - Open

- Joanne Giblin has secured a table at the Exeter Library Crafts Fair on September 13, where raffle tickets, quilts and small items will be sold.

Hospitality - Diane Foos

- A-C last names are asked to bring refreshments to the September meeting
- Items to bring: fruit, pastry, cold drinks
- Please contact Diane if you would like to see anything else on the refreshment table

Retreat - Jane Boulay

- The 2026 retreat will be March 26-29 at the Franciscan House in Kennebunk, ME

Community Outreach - Karen Kenney

- Karen reported that we are still seeking designs from the membership for the 2026 QuiltCon Community Outreach quilt. They are due at the September meeting when we will vote on the final design. The design must be submitted to the QuiltCon committee by Oct 15 and the quilt top must be completed by mid-December.
- So far we have donated 26 quilts to Crossroads.

Programs - Marylee Welling


- Today's program was presented by four members who demonstrated different techniques.
- September's program will be presented by Brenda Scolaro on a "Quilt as you go" technique.
- October's program will be presented by Sue Michaels on Organizing your Stash.
- November's program will be another group of members demonstrating different techniques.
- December is our Holiday party.

Library Exhibit - Marylee Welling

- Marylee stated she has only 6 small quilts and would like to have more. She changed the requirements of the challenge for quilts to be displayed at the Exeter Library during the month of September. She is now accepting any small quilted modern wall hanging. She will receive quilts at the Exeter Library on Saturday August 9, 16, and 23 from 9-1. If you cannot make this, please call or text her to make other arrangements.

Workshop - Joanne Giblin

- Joanne Giblin has secured Amy Friend for a workshop on Improv Paper Piecing to be held on Oct. 18 (with an overflow date of Oct 19) from 9-3 at the Merrimack Police Station in the Community Room. The cost is \$50.



Non-members are invited for a cost of \$65. The materials list will be distributed to those who register. To register, please send your payment to Seacoast Modern Quilt Guild, P.O. Box 112, Exeter, NH 03833 or use Venmo to make your payment.

Meeting Adjourned

12:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Young, Secretary