



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Minutes

Date & Time: Saturday September 20, 2025, 10:00AM

Location: North East community Center, 4001 N. Cook Ave, Spokane, WA 99207

Patty Yedinak, President - absent
(VP filling in)
Christine Brown, Vice President
Diane Grgich, Treasurer, absent
(Beth North filling in)
Lisa Reeder, Secretary
Norine Gregory, Membership

1. Call to order - Vice President filling in for President: Meeting called to order at 10:02am
2. President's Report – Christine Brown
 - a. Minutes of June 2025 Membership Meeting - vote to approve. Secretary received some grammatical changes from Newsletter Editor.
 - b. Motion to accept the minutes as changed that day, and motion was seconded. Vote to approve was unanimous.
 - c. A question was raised about whether the Guild financial information should be included in the newsletter. A motion was made to exclude financial information from the newsletter and seconded. Membership voted and approved this motion. A separate set of minutes excluding financial information will be provided for the newsletter.
 - d. INMQ Quilt Show Booth. Volunteer a minimum of 4 hours = free quilt show admission all 3 days, free parking. Please volunteer! Member Beth North – mentioned the plan to include volunteer members business cards in a sleeve at the booth. Volunteering equals free advertising. VP noted that we are looking for volunteers to cover the booth at the quilt show for two hour blocks. A reminder that you get free admission if you volunteer for 4 hours.
 - e. INMQ books on USB stick. We are seeking Member thoughts & recommendations. Hard copies of our INMQ books are in our library. Beth is investigating whether these are in PDF. Anita has some on an old computer and also has actual paper copies as well that can be scanned. We have proposed putting them on PDF memory sticks and selling them at functions and to make them available to members. Anita will scan the files because she cannot access the old files on the other computer. What timeline would work? Beth and Anita will be the committee to act on this project.

- f. A Proposal made by Anita to put on the INMQ Board agenda for November to restart the block quilting project to which historically resulted in example quilting for the book. Paper quilted blocks, quilting designs for the INMQ machine quilting designs (project renewal).
 - g. The Newsletter is on the INMQ webpage. It includes the meeting agenda, minutes from the previous meeting, Member Timeline, & any speaker updates. VP thanks Lorean and Connie for their work on the Newsletter. Connie will take over as newsletter editor in January.
 - h. • Update on positions open in 2026. Vice President. There is no vice president volunteer for the next 2 years. The vice president's responsibilities include: Steps in and fills in for the President, and organizes the educational offerings, fitting it into the venue, setting up and running the AV equipment. She is also in charge of: Show & Tell, How do I Quilt This, Tips & Tricks, and other duties as assigned.
 - i. A Proposal was made to add an item to the INMQ Board agenda to subscribe to some sort of subscription and utilize for education.
 - j. Secretary mentioned that there are a wide variety of educational ideas for anyone who is interested in volunteering for Vice President.
 - k. Christine mentioned that without a VP then the guild may have to be disbanded. She will also do another survey to see what people are interested in seeing as educational opportunities.
 - l. Today we are not doing education because of the voting on the Machine Quilting Challenge quilts by the members in attendance.
 - m. There are 4-5 educational opportunities at most per year. Questions were asked about how much budget is available to have speakers. The VP noted that the educational piece takes some work, but is doable. The VP spends 4 - 5 hours each meeting preparing, plus the meetings. That is the amount of time she commits.
3. Fair Ribbons - Beth North
 - a. Rockford SE County Fair - Fair ribbons went over well and were even better received when they were given to the winners (judged for quilting only). Simple ribbons but they were well received. She is in the process of working on the quilt show ribbons for the WSQ show. Beth needs some help to finish the quilt show ribbons and is looking for volunteers. Susie Larsen volunteered to help Beth.
 4. Treasure Quilt Challenge - Anita Pederson

- a. We have 9 quilts entered in the Treasurer quilt challenge. Possibly there may be 10 quilts, we are waiting for confirmation. VP Christine pointed out that to maintain our category that we must have 10 entries.
 - b. Anita received confirmation from WSQ that the category will remain even though there are only 9 entries.
5. Machine Quilting Challenge - Voting on machine quilt challenge - Kathleen Woods
 - a. The machine quilting challenge quilts are here and they will be judged today. Also, there are more charity quilts to be quilted. The next year challenge will be announced in March and available for pickup at that meeting.
 - b. Christine said the voting will be done after the meeting is completed. It will be done anonymously and quilters names are blocked out.
6. WSQ Charity Quilt Donation - Kathleen Woods
 - a. There are a lot of charity quilts available to quilt. Members are asked to please collect some and quilt them.
7. Secretary Report
 - a. Nothing to report
8. Vice President Report
 - a. Show & Tell - quilts will be displayed in the back of the room. Attach a card with your name, quilt name, & a short description.
 - b. "How Do I Quilt This" Tips & Tricks – remember to bring ideas/visuals to share
 - c. September Education – No education this month. Use time to vote on machine quilt challenge
9. Membership Report
 - a. Active member totals. Guests attending. 20 members attending today of the total 45 members. 13 quilting excellence quilts are submitted for voting.

They are numbered and ready for voting. The winners will be announced at the quilt show. Vote for only one quilt

- b. The Northwest Textile Art Guild has a show going on today. 21 Quilting Arts magazine quilts. The top 5 will be photographed and put in the magazine. Drop by and see the show.
- c. Quilt show signup is going around now. We need everyone to sign up so we can get the booth manned. Ballots for our machine judging will be at our booth as well as the treasure quilt ballots and those are to be returned to the booth where they can be counted.
- d. Timeline: The timeline will be on the website after Loreen is sure that the timeline is final. The timeline will have the upcoming dates for events and activities. Norine will send an updated timeline to Loreen.
- e. Door prizes - Three members were awarded door prizes by blind drawing.

10. Treasurer's Report – Beth North filling in for the Treasurer

- a. Report on wall, balance of accounts, annual audit. Approval of Treasurer's report. A motion to accept the Treasurers report as is was made and seconded. Treasurers report is approved.
- b. 2026-2028 Treasurer's position has a nominee. Marj Rouse has volunteered for position.
- c. Update on INMQ Retreat. The location that we had hoped to use for a retreat is booked out until 2027 and the board voted to table the retreat until after the election.
- d. Quilt Show Banner update. The Secretary gave an update on the Banner in the absence of the Treasurer. Banner is done, and the mini-quilts are either complete or in the process of being bound and attached to the banner. Secretary encouraged members to contribute a mini-quilt for the banner, if not this year, then next year.
- e. Show and tell/how do I quilt this: PJ Jacobsen showed a scrappy sampler top and asked for guidance on quilting it. Mary Brewer showed another quilt top, (Northern lights) and is not sure how to quilt it. Wants it quilted in a way to bring out the circle/diamond.

11. Meeting Adjourned - Thank you all for coming to the meeting. 11:27am

- 2025 Membership Meetings & Class Schedule November 15, 2025 (Potluck)
- 2026 Membership Meetings & Class Schedule January 17, March 21, June 13, September 19, November 21, 2026 (Potluck)

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