## NBQA Membership Meeting October 16, 2014

**President:** Hope Barton called the meeting to order at 7:06pm. She introduced the evening's speaker, quilt designer Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilt Designs. Beth gave a lecture and trunk show titled, "Perfection is Overrated." Beth's program was a funny and inspiring tale of her quilting journey. She certainly got her message across: Quilting should be fun, your friends and family will love your work and you should love doing it; don't make it stressful!

**Special Events:** Louise announced that the Ninigret/NBQA joint bus trip to The Gathering in New Hampshire was full. If you signed up but have not yet paid, please do so by November 7 or your spot will go to someone on the waiting list.

## **REFRESHMENT BREAK & VOTING FOR JANUARY MEETING FORMAT PREFERENCES**

The meeting resumed at 8:25 PM

**Secretary:** The minutes of the September 14 meeting were accepted without change.

**Treasurer:** September income - \$2,656; YTD income - \$7,512.73. September expenses - \$869.89; YTD expenses - \$3,738.36. Checking account balance as of September 30: \$28,283.14. Additional financial details are in the attached report.

Door Prizes were distributed.

**BOM** was Dutchmans Puzzle – white background, black and grey geese. The blocks were won by Dottie Calvano.

**FAQ** – Juvenille prints – was won by Dottie Calvano.

**Program:** Joan reviewed the 4 programs with spots still open: Kindred Quilters - Urban Trilogy Bag, Oct 18 @ 9:30 am - 3:30 pm, "Fabric Frenzy" with NBQA members Billie Bunnewith, Kassie Randall, Denise Greenlund - Feb 21 @ 9:30 am - 3:30 pm, "Meet Me at the Bar" Designing Linear Motifs with Patricia Delaney of Crabtree Lane Studio - Mar 21 @ 9:30 am - 3:30 pm and Fast & Fabulous with Leaves Galore" with Sue Pelland of Sue Pelland Designs - Apr 17 @ 9:30 am - 3:30 pm.

**NEQM** – Chris Bagley announced that the current show "Humorous Quilts – Keeping us in Stitches" will run until December 27.

**Hospitality – Peggy Lane:** Only 3 or 4 people have signed up to bring snacks for November. Please bring something if you can.

**Show and Tell** was inspiring with many beautiful member quilts! Jeannine Hicks showed an example of placemats one of her quilting groups is making for Meals on Wheels clients. Over the next year, they are hoping to make one for each RI MOW recipient – over 1,000!. If you would like to help. Please contact Jeannine.

**January Meeting** – Hope announced that members had convincingly voted for a change of format for January. Instead of the 6:30 PotLuck, the meeting will start at 7PM, appetizers and desserts will be served and we will have several demonstration stations by NBQA members. If you would like to help with the planning, please contact Hope. She will have a planning meeting in early November.

Adjournment: 8:55PM

Submitted by Melanie Johnston, Secretary