

Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers

Board of Directors Meeting

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Date: 07/28/2021, 6:30PM

Attendees: Bob Wyatt, Claude Dupuis, Dave Foote, Jim Forbes, Jon Siegel, Jim Seroskie, Gary Canning, Phil Glover, Mike DiMaggio

Absent: Peter James, Tony Immorlica, Steve Costain, Elliott Savitzky

1. Presidents Message - Bob Wyatt

- Bob Lacivita has moved to Northwood
 - The first Fundamentals meeting will be October
 - Participants will be limited to 10 to 12
- The Guild store is closed temporarily
- Bylaws
 - No updates
 - Mark-up and return to Bob W., Jim S., and Dave F.

2. Secretary Report by Philip Glover

- Approval of the Meeting Minutes of 06/23/21
 - Page 2, Dave Besler, cannot make brass plates
 - Mike D.
 - No one has stepped up yet
 - Jim S.
 - Will send out notice about vaccine
 - Motion to Accept, Seconded, and Accepted

3. Treasurers Report by Jim Forbes

- Financial documents were emailed to the B.O.D. prior to this meeting by Jim Forbes
 - No issues

4. Membership Report by Jim Seroskie

- Membership report was emailed to the B.O.D. prior to this meeting by Jim S.
 - 684 members now
 - Two-year membership percentage has settled out at about 57%
 - Lost six members in the last month
 - Jim F.
 - It would be worthwhile to know why members left the Guild
 - Jim S. discouraged a potential new member in Alberta from joining due to postage and not being able to participate in events / meetings

- NEON CRM
 - What level do we want? (see membership report)
 - Selected Essentials plan
 - Drops fundraising module
 - \$139 per month
 - Raise dues \$2 to \$4 per month to cover cost
 - It has been ten years since dues have been raised
 - Add dues increase to next month's agenda
 - Shopify for Guild Store
 - Took Square off-line
 - Shopify Lite will now be used
 - Jim F.
 - Will bring Square card reader to Annual Mtg.
 - Bob W. is working on shipping options; local pick-up and cash
 - Question
 - Did anyone complain about \$9 flat fee
 - Answer: No
 - Website needs to be refreshed
 - There is an activity spike on Wednesdays because people saw / read things on Touch Ups
 - More are options in Themes
 - Easy to change and maintain
 - Will take several months
 - Bob W.
 - No vote necessary to downgrade plan - it is obvious

5. Journal / Website updates by Jim Seroskie

- Covered in No. 4 (Membership Report)

6. Touch Ups report by Claude Dupuis

- No updates

7. Approve Slate Officers for Annual Meeting election - Bob Wyatt

- Slate of Officers
 - Jon Siegel - President
 - Mike DiMaggio - V.P.
 - Jim Forbes - Treasurer
 - Phil Glover - Secretary
- Vote
 - Accepted
- Claude D. will put name of officers in Touch Ups

8. NEON CRM renewal option selected - Jim S.

- Covered in No. 4 (Membership Report)

9. Annual Meeting / 30 Year Anniversary; planning and logistics updates - All

- Plaques
 - Concord Maker Space has a laser that can etch, but it is not adequate
 - Saymore Brass may be able to make plaques
 - 6"x4" is about \$50
 - Elliot S.
 - Need to create our logo online
 - Mike D.
 - Will give Elliot brass
 - We may supply brass plates to save money
 - Mike D.
 - Can buff brass to make it shinney
 - Bob W.
 - Will negotiate with Saymore
 - Jim S.
 - There is a video on our site (YouTube) about laser cutter, person is Racheal
 - Howe Public Library in Hanover
 - Bob W.
 - Claremont Maker Space has engravers, but they are not lasers

- Jon S.
 - Will need to make wood backing
 - Maybe we should go with Saymore
 - Will make a draft of wording for plaques in portrait format
- Gary C.
 - To save money, give Saymore brass plates
- Mike D.
 - What is the lead time to make plates?
- Dave F.
 - Go with Saymore and save time
 - Maker Space will not be able to make the logo
- Jim S.
 - Go with company that has our logo
- Bob W.
 - Will get quotes from companies that have our logo
- Jon S.
 - Sent out list of Founders (10)
 - Jerry Osgood is still alive
 - Ted Blachly can donate Jerry's wood to the Guild for the auction
- Bob W.
 - Will ask Saymore if they will use our brass
 - Will get a quote
- Dave F.
 - Need exact size and wording for quote
- Jim F.
 - Make both vendors get the same quote
- Jon S.
 - Will send sketch to board
- Claude D.
 - Gave picnic info to Steve C.
- Bob W.
 - Will need extra chairs
- Mike D.
 - Is there anyone else to honor?
- Steve C.
 - Peter Bloch, he started the GSWT
- Jon S.
 - Will try to get Peter Bloch to attend the picnic

10. GNHW Facebook and Instagram updates - Elliot (Bob W.)

- 221 Face book members
- There has been good engagement
- 108 followers on Instagram
- Have set up a Twitter account
- Bruce Wedlock will start doing streaming
- There will be a tour of two historic homes in Portsmouth
- Jim S.
 - Open meetings to public if they do not fill up
- Owain Harris will do a meeting on his Marc Adams class

11. YouTube Channel Update - Jim S.

- 328 subscribers
- Growing slowly
- Have new clips from GWST meeting
- Should take new camera to picnic and talk to people and create a video
- 60 people have signed up for the picnic
- Gary C.
 - Will bring P/A system to picnic
- Bob W.
 - Will luthiers perform
 - Tony I. is working on this

12. New Business - All

- Jon S.
 - Went to Maker Space in Penacook and assembled a new lathe for them
 - They are getting more equipment
 - They have space for meetings
 - Maker Spaces have been mushrooming in NH
 - Guild should create a relationship with the Maker Space's
- Gary C.
 - Maker Space would like experienced woodworkers to teach classes for them
- Claude D.
 - Have lathe, bench, chairs, etc. for Market Days
- Bob W.
 - Will send a letter to Guild membership to promote Market Days

Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM

Next B.O.D. meeting is 08/25/21 @ 6:30PM

