

Steering Committee Minutes
8-20-08

Dave Anderson

Motion: to start a "Hand Tools" special interest group to be led by himself.

Accepted unanimously.

Website- Jim Seroskie

-DJ has moved the server

-New site will be worked on and will be up soon.

-need input and still need to be completed:

Guild history-Jon Siegel, BIG paragraph- Bob LaCivita, Hand tools article-Dave Anderson, Join and renew page, online payment, galleries, pics of Sunapee raffle items, members only section, newsletter download, scholarships page needs to be reviewed by Peter Breu, items for sale, SC minutes to be posted, Budget pages, links to NE woodworking websites

Treasure's Report-Peter James:

-Thank you note from Jeffery Roberts who won prize at Sunapee.

-Update given on awards donated by GNHW

-Down on membership/renewals

-Review of Cash flow

-Need to increase awareness of scholarships

Sunapee Mike Noel

-Overall it went smoothly

-One lathe was damaged, repairs will be taken care of by the guild

-discussion about borrowing/purchasing

-borrow is much less complicated, and the best option.

-raffle ticket sales were above last year despite poor weather.

-clean up went well volunteers were great

Motion: To pay \$1000 for tent at Sunapee out of scholarship fund.

Accepted unanimously

-Other issues with the League of NH Craftsmen include wood chips effect on the environment, and past issues of disorganization leading up to and during the fair.

-To be handled better in following years.

-Mike Noel already has commitments for raffle items next year, plans to have kids workshop, and possibly rent a truck.

The Old Saw- Jim Seroskie

-36 Pages 27 advertisers going to print

-2 newsletters out late because of broken equipt at printer, minute man press promises to outsource next time

-Al Saffron gave other pricing options for printing nearly twice as much.

Small Meetings- Ed Orracio

-John Whiteside-guitar making 12 people

Grant Taylor- carving 7 people

DJ- intro to Google Sketch Up 12 people

Steve Fourcier- sharpening 12 people

Annual Meeting-

At Camp Lincoln- with \$7 cookout

-Garrett Hack presentation about working efficiently

-Door prize donated by Dave Anderson

Nominating Committee-

Mike Noel will be VP with Dave Frechette as president. Roger Myers will step in, in the case that Dave leaves for the Peace Corps.

Potential Dues increase:

Motion: To put to membership vote, that the annual membership dues increase to \$40.

Accepted unanimously, with members of the SC recommending the increase.

To be voted on at the annual meeting.

Other Business

Bob LaCivita would like to pass on the leadership of BIG

Mike Noel and John Faro would like to pass on the leadership of Period Furniture

Discussion about bringing in new blood. Handout at the annual meeting. Need to search for specific positions? Need to follow up better this year.

Need someone to take charge of the Audio Visual coverage