

SC Minutes 5-6-09

Treasurer's Report: Everything is looking good. Cash is coming in for the Symposium. Everything is as budgeted. 511 members.

Summer Trip- Finalizing plans for visiting the Mills and Garrett Hack. Discussion about a cookout at Garrett's place. No restaurants. 20-50 people. Would need to grill. Will investigate the possibility.

Sunapee- Going well. Needs cutoff date for badges. Discussion about posting spread sheet for volunteers on the Guild website. Luthiers will demonstrate. Maybe other subgroups should demonstrate in the future. Raffle prizes are coming in.

Turning Symposium- 300 people signed up. Planning is going well. Met with the demonstrators- everything is on track. Needs to assign volunteers. Food is set. 350 person cut off. No walk in registrations. Lot of last minute registrations to take care of. Other Pinkerton vocational programs will take \$3000 +/- profit. OneWay will be providing lathes for demonstrations. A little worried about the number of students that will attend that part of the symposium.

Scholarships Requests are coming in. Next year the Guild will "refuse" a scholarship for the first time. Discussion; Do we list recipients on the website? How do we hold them accountable to return services to the guild? What is the difference between grants and scholarships? Are they used as such? Points discussed, but nothing decided. Issues to be considered moving forward.

Motion: To appropriate \$300 for prizes for the NESWDC. Accepted unanimously.

Old Saw Mike Moore is the new editor. Discussion: Should we mail it to members, or post it on the website only? Cost is \$1 per member per issue, which is too much on top of the Journal. Long term plan needs to be online. Will send the next one out and have an opt-in for mailed copies on the next dues notification.

Motion: Members will have to opt-in in order to receive a paper copy of the Old Saw. Accepted Unanimously

Journal Printing is going very well. Stress free. Next 2 issues will be 20 pages each. 120 pages per year.

Bulk Mail- Lots of work to do it ourselves. Talked to a professional- will do it all for \$350. \$527 with envelopes.

Jim Seroskie talked to Purital Press about distribution. They will handle it completely for 93 cents per member per year. \$29.20 per member per year will be the Journal cost.

Motion: To accept Jim's proposal for using Puritan Press to mail the journal to members. Accepted unanimously.

Website- Classifieds and blog are getting a lot of hits. Discussion about having discussions on the site. We are not able to do it yet.

Dave Frechette will be stepping down as President, and going to Africa. Bob Lacivita will be replacing him. Mike Moore will take over Touch Ups.

SubGroups- Most of Guild meetings are Sub Group meetings. Subgroup heads should get together and report the SC.

Discussion- What is the relationship between the Guild and the subgroups? How must the SB's conform? Must have SC approval to start Subgroup. Meetings can be limited in size at times, but must usually welcome all.

Jon Siegel will lead the group of Sub Group leaders, and report to the SC.

Sub Group leaders should agree to read the SC minutes to stay up to date with the workings of the Guild. They do not necessarily need to be on the SC.

Nominating Committee- Bob D'Angelo will be VP. Bob Cush will be the new secretary.

Carving Class Non Issue. Thought to be \$650 for 10 people. Is \$650 per person.

Other business.

Mike Moore is now in the SC.

Luthiers song needs to be on the Web Site

Venue of last meeting was great

Subgroup demos before Guild meetings are working out well