

Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers

Steering Committee Minutes 10/28/09 by Claude Dupuis

Location: Cobb Hill Construction Inc., 206 North State Street, Concord NH

Meeting to order at 6pm sharp. President Bob LaCivita

Main focus of the meeting is an intro to Wild Apricot

Attendees:

Dave Anderson	C. Peter James	Bob DeAngelis	Greg Benulis
Michael O Moore	Robert LaCivita	John Keeling	DJ Delorie
Peter Breu	Roger Myers	David Belser	Jon Siegel
Bob Couch	Alan Saffron	Monica Raymond	
Claude Dupuis	Jim Seroskie	Al Hansen	

Meeting minutes

Review meeting notes of 9/23/09

Motion made to accept the meeting minutes of 9/23/09 Motion, seconded and accepted unanimously

Treasures report: C Peter James reported.

General fund 23,167.52

Scholarship fund 17,386.51

Equipment fund 1,333.74

Total \$41,887.77

Membership: 459 paid members. 66 using Pay Pal

Ned G has volunteered to be the clothing manager

Each Old Saw issue cost approx. \$5/member per issue

Motion, seconded and accepted unanimously

Open items from 8/26/09

Peter James/John Whiteside to get a copy of Quicken to Bob Couch

Scholarships; Peter Breu reports

Limited time/No new business

Open items from 8/26/09

Discussed that the Guild should advertise/publicize these types of donations. Shows people where the \$ is going. It would encourage more organizations to apply for donations. Michael Moore to post in the Old Saw/ Journal. Press releases??

Should make mention of the Masters "Best in wood Award" won by Terry Moore

Membership Discussion:

Open item from 9/23/09

Discussed a need to find a membership chairman. Still looking for a volunteers?

Bob DeAngelis will be taking the membership chairs' position.

Item closed

Policy book

Open item from 9/23/09

Guild Policies. Are they posted in one place? No! Logged in meeting minutes. All agreed that the Guild policies should be in one place, a book. Bob L will be talking with Ray to if he would take on the task.

Ray will also be indexing the Old Saw and the Journal.

Roger has a cabinet full of Guild files. Bob asked Roger to get them to him.

Liability Insurance:

OPEN ITEM from 7/2209. Discussed appointing a safety officer and discussing safety at all meetings.

OPEN ITEM from 8/26/09

10/28/09 Nothing new to report

Currently insured with Maine Mutual

Discussed finding a lawyer that is a Guild Member that might be willing to help with this.

Contact other Guilds to inquire about their insurance coverage

Looking at potential wavers but have not yet found a good fit

Small meetings (times and locations posted inTouch-ups)

NA

Annual and future meetings: Alan reporting

Nov. 21st meeting will be at Scott Ruesswick's shop.

Sub-group presenting: Granite State Woodturners – hands on 2hrs

Ted Blachly will be in the afternoon and be presenting three projects – unique solutions

Open item from 9/23/09

Feb. meeting Terry Moore; Presentation on design development. Sub-group presenting; Handtools

April Meeting; Woodturning – Architectural millwork Gary wood

Michael Moore to post a want add in Touch-ups asking for a list of topics that members would like to see.

Discussed the pros and cons of multiple presentors in a given day or morning.

Roger suggested a topic “Finished Surface” off the planner, sanded, hand planned and scraped.

Summer meeting ? Boat building?

Small Meetings: Bob L reporting

Open item from 9/23/09

Small meeting's poor attendance to be discussed at the next meeting.

Bob still working on this.

Old Saw, touch ups, Calendar

NA

Subgroups

Leaders

Monica Raymond – Right Brain

David Belser – GSWT

Dave Anderson – Hand tools

John Keeling - Design

The Journal – Jim reports.

NA

Wildapricot.com– Jim S. Reports:

Jim and Bob C. demonstrated the new website “Wild Apricot”.

Comprehensive Web Solutions:

Public Site

Member Site

Blogs

Peer-to-peer

Cost \$300 purchase, \$1080/year. \$70/yr tech support & upgrades optional

Discussed and viewed samples of Member Area Administration

The goal for the new website is to have multiple contributors.

Subgroup leaders have been given admin rights. Everyone encouraged to give the website a try. Web e-mail is

live so be careful. Let's find out what works and what does not so that adjustments can be made prior to the

launch late Nov./early Dec.

Volunteer Positions Needed:

Open item from 9/23/09

Video Coordinator

Small Meeting Coordinator

Going Pro Coordinator

Membership Coordinator – Bob DeAngelis

Design Symposium – John Keeling Coordinator

Announcement

Custommade.com has agreed to give our members a 25% discount on their website subscription for advertising in the Old Saw. Cost \$195 per year (not sure if this includes the discount)
Check it out at www.custommade.com

Open item from 7/22/09

Discussion;
Next year will be the Guild's 20th anniversary
Party? Cookout?
Public outreach opportunity
Press release in newspapers
More planning needed.

Open item from 7/22/09

The Currier Museum of Art "Turning Wood to Art" Open House
Open house well attended. Free Museum entry. The Museum Curator well versed with the display.
Claude suggested that a thank you letter be sent to the Currier. Claude/Bob C to draft a letter and send it to Bob L. to forward.
A thank you should also be sent to Jon Siegel and Scott Russwick for taking turns performing demos all day.
Scott turned some bowls and Jon some spindles.
The demo was well attended with a crowd all day long. Kudos to Jon and Scott – Great job.

Item closed completed 10/28/09

Meeting adjourned at 8:45
Next SC meeting is schedule for Nov. 18th at The League of NH Craftsmen, North Main Street, Concord NH