

GNHW Steering Committee Meeting Agenda 3/3/10

Acting Secretary: Bob Couch

Attendees: Bob LaCivita, Jim Seroski, Dave Anderson, Roger Myers, John Keeling, Michael O. Moore, Alan Saffron, Jon Siegel, Denis Paiste, Bob Couch, Peter Breu

Minutes - Claude D. (presented by BobC.)

Correction: On Scholarships, Bob reported it not Roger

Accepted as amended

Treasurer's report - Peter J. (read by BobC.)

General Fund:	\$20,351.23
Educational Loans:	\$13,061.61
Equipment:	\$1,33.74
Total:	\$34,746.58

Treasurer's report was accepted as read

April and future Meetings, who what and where - Al S.

April Meeting – Pinkerton on April 17th. Shop not available

1st Morning Session: 9:30 to 10:30 AM BIG – Tom McLaughlin

2nd Morning Session: 10:30 to 11:30 Paul Miller Project Photography and Roger will do a presentation on photo processing.

Afternoon Session: Q & A on Wood finishing by Bruce Hamilton, Dale Bigent possibly one other

Discussion was had with respect to everyone leaving in the middle of the business meeting to go get lunch.

The group discussed options and decided to start the meeting at 9:30. Then have a one hour lunch starting at 11:30 and the business meeting at 12:30 followed by the main presentation at 1:00.

Summary of February – Great job by Jim, Terry did great as well. Electronics works

September Annual Meeting: Shaker Village this turned out to be very expensive.

Alan also looking at Thetford Academy, BobL suggested possibly Newmarket High, and Roger suggested Sanborn Mills.

Summer Trip: Landing school in Arundel Maine on June 12th

Old Saw, Touch Ups, Calendar - Michael M.

O.S. Has to be received by members before the meeting.

2nd time in a row it's been late. This has to be solved now.

Suggestions:

An editor's deadline for receiving articles?

A drop dead date? The date it goes to printer?

Mailed out two weeks before the meeting?

Discussion: Jim showed a sample of a Wordpress blog that's setup like an online newsletter/newspaper. A great deal of discussion ensued. This idea had some positive traction that could be developed over time. Talked about getting a reporter from each subgroup that will send in a piece from each session.

Online Newsletter version idea of the Old Saw may even be able to produce a print-ready version to send to members and to send a printed version to those on the mail only list.

For April, the Old Saw is going to have to stay as is but we need to make a better effort of getting content and information to Michael.

20 Year Anniversary Event: Alan Mitchell has offered the use of the school for this event. He also has a person who we might use as a cook. BobL will contact and discuss. The board decided that the event will be open to families.

Date was decided to be Sunday July 25th. Subcommittee of Roger, John and Bob.

Member Denis Paiste is on board to help with articles & press releases. Denise has some ideas.

Group discussed several ideas of a media event and or display, possibly in an empty storefront. We decided that we would approach NH Chronicle for a story.

Journal - Jim S

Probably going to press on Monday. Just waiting on one article that he expects tonight. Three new first time authors. Publishing Dates: Nov, Mar & July.

Website - Jim S, Bob C

Site has had 120 members log in since Jan 5th's launch. About 1/3 of the membership. PayPal has been working out for us as well. 11 out of 16 new members used a credit card to pay.

Membership cards - Bob C

Jeff Murdock ran his first set of membership cards. Need to reorder stock. Bob to handle and order in the vicinity of 2000 depending on price breaks.

Sunapee - Al H

Al is ill and unable to attend this meeting.

Small meetings - Al H

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Scholarship - Peter B

Several scholarships have been requested and approved for McLaughlin's 101 class. Thetford School requested a grant for tools that was approved. Peter said they were on track to spend a record amount of money.

Insurance report and waiver - Bob, Greg

BobL will be talking with Traveler's Ins.

Policy book - Ray Atwood will compile - Bob L

He has the info and he's working on it.

Design Symposium - John Keeling coordinator.

Still waiting for confirmation from Pinkerton. UNH or St. Paul's School are alternate options. May 22nd is the date.

Sub Group Chairman - Jon S. John had some different thoughts on limiting attendance since our last meeting. He now thinks it is a non-issue. So few, if any, are being turned away.

Boat

BIG

Hand Tools Joint meeting with Period coming up at Woodcraft because members from both groups want to participate in. Problem is they happen to occur on the same Saturday.

Period

Right Brain Second meeting at Monica Raymond's on March 6th.

Wood Turners

Luther's

Other:

Volunteer Positions Needed: *Video coordinator*