

## **Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers**

Steering Committee Minutes 7/28/2010 by Claude Dupuis

Location: Cobb Hill Construction, Inc., 206 North Sate Street, Concord NH 03301

Meeting to order at 6pm sharp. President Bob LaCivita

### **Attendees:**

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| C. Peter James | Roger Myers     | Michael H. Brown |               |
| Jon Siegel     | Robert LaCivita | Al Hansen        | Ben Kellman   |
| Bob Couch      | Alan Saffron    | Jim Seroskie     | Claude Dupuis |

### **Meeting minutes**

Review meeting minutes of 6/23/10

Corrections noted:

1) Under OLD SAW Jim Reporting - Strike "well suited as Communications editor" Add Michael Brown volunteered to be "editor"

2) Under Website - Jim reporting - strike "paid dues" and add in its place "logged in"

Motion made to accept the meeting minutes as amended. Motion, seconded and accepted unanimously

### **Treasures report:** C Peter James reported.

General fund \$7,618.91

Scholarship/Education fund \$10,551.11

Equipment fund \$0

Total \$18,170.02

Running expenses - Wild Apricot 100/year

Membership cards running \$2.53/member including postage. On line cards not an option at this time.

Picnic expense Food and drink 331.00 and tent w/chairs and tables \$523.95 Cost were under \$1,000.00

Honorary members - nonvoting. Discussion tabled till next meeting due to time limits.

### **Old Business**

Discussed establishing a budget for the next fiscal year by September.

### **Scholarships/Grants:** Bob L Reporting. Going forward Peter Breu will be reporting every quarter.

The Guild received a Thank you letter from Tyler B from Salem High School, winner of the 7th annual New England Student Woodworking Design Competition 2010 for the Guild's donation.

Discussed future grants to the Furniture Masters. Future grants will be issued with stipulations that it be for education purposes only. The Masters organizations is really two organizations. One is non profit and the other is for profit. Be sure that the check is written out to the nonprofit organization. The "for Profit" organization may not exist in the very near future. No word from the Masters regarding the Japan trip but we were not asked for the donation so none was sent. Roger agreed to be the spokesman at the Guild meeting when the question regarding the \$1000 grant arises. Roger will speak with Dave Anderson to explain the Guild's position prior to the meeting in Sept. New grant stipulations approved by the committee unanimously with the exception of Jon Seigel who did not vote to avoid conflict.

### **Annual and future meetings:** Alan reporting

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at Dartmouth. Meeting will be in the Woodshop. Auctioneer will be Jon Seigel. No guest speaker yet (four no's) Suggestions: Wilson Brothers, John Brooks and Fred Dolan. Alan will visit the location prior to the meeting to scope it out. Lunch break will be 30min and the business meeting 30 min.

Next Guild meeting will be Nov. 20th

**Small Meetings** Bob L and Alan, Creek Farm Oct 23rd

### **Sunapee** Al H reporting

Discussed a daily raffle. Maybe some of the smaller items keeping the larger items as "Draw items" Keep the chair to the end.

Discussed delivery of raffle items. It has always been free delivery. We often find a way to get the items into the winners hands. It was decided to keep it as is for now. Play the odds. Table going to Hartford - Roger may be able to deliver. Al asked permission to purchase a cork board at about \$29. Approved. Al needs a small card table and Roger has and will bring one. Peter James will bring a work bench and Bob L will get two lathes. Setup will be Friday morning.

**Old Saw** Jim/Michael Brown reporting

Michael Brown volunteered to be editor and will collaborate with Jim for the first one. It's up to Michael to make it his own from then on. Roger will send out a bulletin to the none e-mail members. The Old Saw will no longer have time sensitive announcements. Details not there anymore and can be found in other places. Michael is well versed in Desktop Publishing. Content will be the issue. There will be four issues per year.

**Touch ups, Calendar**

Jim will continue with both until a replacement can be found

**The Journal** – Jim Seroskie reports.

Puritan Press has purchased Major Mail

Jim handed out a spread sheet to explain the cost which is currently \$27.73/member. 120 pages per year and 1630 copies.

Puritan has set up the cost structure so that Jim can self estimate a quote. Puritan will hold their current pricing structure for the near future.

26 members have refused a paper copy of the Journal whether on purpose or by mistake.

**Website**– Jim S. and Bob Couch Reports:

Web demo tabled till next meeting due to time limits.

**Volunteer Positions:**

Communications Coordinator; Touch-ups/Calendar + Bulletin if needed.

Old Saw Editor; Michael Brown

Journal Editor Jim S.

Website Editor/Moderator – Future

Website Administrators - Future

Dave Anderson has resigned from the Steering Committee

Peter Breu has stepped down from the SC and will report to the SC quarterly.

**Guild 20<sup>th</sup>** Bob LaCivita reporting/Bob Couch

Picnic went well. Great weather. Many thanks to all who helped to make it a success. Thanks to all the gals who pitched in at the chow line and cleanup afterwards without being asked. Bob Couch's interviews with founding members a big hit. Roger's rolling video/pictures also a hit. Special thanks to the "Luther's sub-group" for providing the afternoons entertainment.

Nice job everyone.

**Video equipment** Bob Couch reporting

Bob recommended that the Guild become a member of the Concord TV at a cost of \$50.00 One of the benefits as a member would be that we get a DVD of the club. Proposal approved unanimously.

**Sub Group Chairman** – Jon Siegel reporting

Jon introduced Bill Kellman NEAWT New England Association of Woodshop Teachers

Discussed the New England Association of Shop Teachers and the possibility of them forming a subgroup or associate of The Guild. The association is comprised of approx 55 members representing 40 to 45 schools. Bill looking to start with a presence on the web. Roger will help a to be selected member of the NEAWT to setup and maintain a blog with a student area and gallery. Bill will forward a contact name to Roger.

**Misc business NHTI**

NHTI has offered to provide a showcase the Guild's project both large furniture pieces and smaller items that can be secured in a case. Oct. will feature woodturning and would be on display for one month. January would be larger pieces. Space is limited and we discussed whether the items would have to be juried. It would be nice to have cross section of items. Items may be rotated within the month. Photo submissions would be the way to go. Robert LaCivita, Bob Couch, Roger Myers and Claude Dupuis volunteered to form a committee.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm