

The Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers Steering Committee Minutes

Date: 1/25/2012 at 6:10 PM

Recorded by Alan Saffron, Secretary

Location: Cobb Hill Construction, 206 N. State St., Concord

Attendees:

Alan Saffron Bob LaCivita Al Hansen Dave Michaels Tony Holmes Peter James
Jon Siegel Bob DeAngelis Jim Seroskie Bob Couch Claude Dupuis

Secretary's Report

Alan Saffron reporting.

A motion to accept the minutes of the Dec 28 meeting with four corrections requested was made by Bob DeAngelis, seconded by Al Hansen and passed.

Treasurer's Report

Peter James reporting.

Noted were 2 scholarships granted in the last month, and the Boat Builders fundraising film expense.

General fund	\$19,948.84
Scholarship/Education	\$15,610.61
Boat Building subgroup	\$2,320.00
GSWT	<u>\$209.11</u>
Total	\$38,000.56

Bob LaCivita motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Bob DeAngelis seconded. Motion passed.

Membership

Dave Michaels reporting.

525 paid members with 183 memberships lapsing last 12 months.

Regarding membership growth, Dave discussed having a membership table at Rockler in Salem and Woodcraft in Newington and Woburn. Also suggested was more involvement in school programs.

Bob L and Jim to revise and update the Guild's membership brochure.

Subgroups

Jon Siegel reporting.

The Luthiers group is active. Bud Wilkes to be given event management status in members website so the subgroup membership/email list can be used.

Sunapee

Al Hansen reporting.

The LNHC will give the Guild an additional 400 square feet for better layout of demonstrations.

Touchups/Journal/website

Jim Seroskie reporting

Jim presented his annual cost review of the Journal. The costs of an additional (unbudgeted) 4 pages in the July issue were noted and found acceptable by the SC.

Jim will order 350 membership badges for members to request as a trial program.

Regarding advertising, Jim noted that Sherwin Williams, among others will support the Guild with discounts in exchange for membership lists. He noted this is against Guild policy and will not offer advertising space in Guild resources.

Jim's concerns with Wild Apricot may be addressed when their revision 4.4 is installed this summer. He will wait and see.

Programs

Bob LaCivita reporting.

February meeting is set for February 18.

A general meeting is being planned for April.

Summer trip ideas are needed.

Scholarship Committee

Bob Couch reporting

Bob noted his discussion with Susie Lowe-Stockwell regarding our interest in supporting a shop for League education programs at their new location. Bob will follow up for a response.

Bob C. distributed a revised guideline of the scholarship and grant award criteria.

Peter J. initiated discussion of the scholarship fund. The SC generally agreed with Peter's suggestion that Guild funds would be better utilized as grants to various groups, including the Guild's subgroups, and school programs currently supported. Scholarships for individuals will still be supported, but not advocated. Budgeting will be necessary.

Other Business

Bob Couch reporting.

It was agreed that the Guild will mail a condolence card to the family of a passing member, make note in Touch-Ups, and if appropriate in TOS.

Friends Program

Bob C. reported.

Guild member participation was contributing to the program's success.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.