

The Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers

Steering Committee Minutes

Date: 7/25/2012 at 6:00 PM

Recorded by Alan Saffron, Secretary

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

Attendees:

Alan Saffron Peter James Al Hansen Roger Myers Dave Michaels
Jon Siegel Jim Seroskie Bob Couch Claude Dupuis Bob LaCivita

Secretary's Report

Alan Saffron reporting.

Bob Couch asked for a correction to the Tom McLaughlin gift notation, and the SC noted a spelling error. A motion to accept the minutes of the 6/27 meeting with the revisions stated was made by Peter James, seconded by Claude Dupuis and motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Peter James reporting. Peter reviewed the Guild's finances; making note of \$500 and \$1000 payments to the LNHC to cover the Best In awards and the demonstrators contract for Sunapee. Also noted were payments to Nate Carey to reimburse him for the Boat group's raffle canoe, and a scholarship payment for Mike Korsak.

General fund	\$10,347.41
Scholarship/Education	\$15,131.00
Boat Building subgroup	\$654.73
GSWT	\$408.11
Cash on hand	<u>\$5,714.18</u>
Total	\$32,255.43

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

Membership

Dave Michaels reporting. Membership is up to 578 paid members.

Dave is looking for an August demonstrator for Woodcraft. He also clarified needing about 4 demonstrators (annually) for Rockler's special sale events.

Dave reviewed his Youth Symposium survey results. The 73% student reply rate was noted as support for the survey results. Carving, as well as turning were identified as high interest among woodworking topics. The students also supported GNHW demonstrators, grants, and competitions. Jon will assist Dave in contacting shop teachers for grant interest for budgeting next year's Education fund.

Programs

Bob L. reporting. Bob is still working on a presenter for the Annual Meeting. Jon Siegel confirmed his participation as auctioneer.

Nominating Committee

Bob LaCivita agreed to act as the contact for member's nominations.

Both Al Hansen and Bob LaCivita notified the SC that they will not be available as SC members next year.

Sunapee

Al Hansen reporting. The Luthiers informed Al of reductions in their schedule; the group will have one or two demonstrators for most of the fair. Peter Scheffer, the Windsor chair demonstrator, has also dropped out; Fred Chellis will donate a Windsor chair for the raffle. Claude confirmed the Turners participation. Bob C. confirmed the BIG exhibit, and Roger confirmed a PFG exhibit.

Al suggested in the future that each subgroup take the lead in representing their group as part of the Guild at Sunapee. Each group will need to provide demonstrators, benches, exhibits, and possibly raffle prizes, and as a group coordinate with the Guild Sunapee Coordinator. The SC supported the suggestions strongly.

Subgroups

Jon Siegel reporting. Jon, noting Al Hansen's Sunapee planning suggestions, will work with the subgroup leads regarding their Sunapee 2013 responsibilities.

Bob C. will ask Matt Wadja to take over BIG.

The Luthiers' use of the Guild's email list is still being worked on.

Roger Myers is planning to arrange the first meeting of the Woodworking as a Business group after Sunapee.

The Old Saw

Roger reporting. TOS will have an article on Sunapee, and so will publish shortly thereafter.

Touchups/Journal/website

Jim Seroskie reporting. The Journal will publish in mid August with 32 pages.

The July Wild Apricot revision improved the formatting of emails, most noticeably in Touchups.

Jim continued reviewing his work on the new public side of our website. Among his remarks, he noted Drupal's benefit of much better content administration and archiving. The SC supports Jim's work.

With Peter's motion to adjourn and Roger's second, the meeting adjourned at 8:00.