

The Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers

Steering Committee Minutes

Date: 3/22/2017 at 6:00 PM

Recorded by Alan Saffron, Secretary

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

Attendees

Alan Saffron Jon Siegel Jim Forbes David Foote Peter James Ed Orrechio
Michael Moore Bob Couch Claude Dupuis Mike DiMaggio Tony Immorlica Robert Wyatt

Guest

Steve Costain

Secretary's Report

It is noted that the February 22 meeting was cancelled due to bad weather.

Business done by email since the January 25th meeting:

On April 5th , Mike DiMaggio reported that the vote for the new insurance policy costing \$1,571, plus \$750 for D&O (directors and officers coverage) was approved by the email vote.

He also reported that the \$1000 for the Sunapee tent had also been approved.

A grant application from the Seacoast Woodturners Club for \$350 was circulated by email in February. On February 22 eight affirmative votes were received, thereby approving the grant. Jim Forbes would issue the check.

A misspelling of a member's name on the January minutes was noted. A motion was made to accept the January minutes as corrected by Robert Wyatt, seconded by Michael Moore, and passed.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Forbes distributed the monthly Treasurer's Report as of March 22 MTD with an explanation of a minor error. He also noted the only significant expense coming due was that for the new internet provider.

As of March 22, 2017

General Fund	\$17,055
Grants Funds	
Unallocated	\$5,257
GSWT	\$886
Boat Builders	\$1,228
Hand Tools	\$295
BIG	\$477
Luthiers	\$750
Period	\$875
App Grants	\$571
<u>Guild programs</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>
Total Grants	\$12,338
Total Guild	\$29,393

Jim Seroskie summary

Mike DiMaggio reported that Jim, knowing of his absence, emailed the results of his usual reports.

Membership at 557, of which 116 were two year memberships.

The Journal should be edited and in layout in April.

iMIS website to go live by the the end of May. Shut down of Wild Apricot will be in two stages, being complete by the end of May.

Riverbank House

Mike DiMaggio distributed an email received from Randy Bartlett of the Riverbank House in Laconia requesting administrative support for their new woodworking program. He requested assistance in looking into the request.

Supporting Grants

Robert Wyatt reported that grants from the NH State Council on the Arts would be too restrictive and would not be appropriate for the Guild to make applications for support.

Although not enthusiastic, Bob reported that he was still working on the grant process with the NH Charitable Foundation and money may be possible.

Grants

Dave Foote volunteered to contact Randy Bartlett at the Riverbank House and get more information. He reminded the SC that last August's Sunapee money had still not been allocated to the subgroups. Dave also noted that the subgroup allocation calculation may need to be reviewed. The calculation was originally developed to encourage subgroup activity. However, with the Maker Space available, the GSWT have held many meetings earning them an a much higher allocation of the total subgroup funds available than originally anticipated. He will calculate the 2017 allocations and review them with Al Hansen for the next SC meeting.

Programs

Tony Immorlica reported through Bob Couch that Bow High School was available for the April 29th General Meeting, and would be at no cost. Tony reported that our September meeting will be at Concord High School. The theme of the April meeting will be 'wood'. The guest speaker will be Dave Anderson of the Society of the Preservation of NH Forests. The morning program will include a 'what's in your shop' discussion. For the September 23rd meeting, Tony is planning to contact Lie Nielsen for a speaker. It will include subgroup reports, a brief business meeting, and either an auction or flea market. Tony also reminded the SC that Guild Day at WoodCraft would be coming up and that about five demonstrators would be needed.

Insurance

Bob Couch reviewed his meeting with David Gazaway of Allied Insurance. Bob is confident David Gazaway will provide much better insurance agency services and match the Guild with proper coverage through the Cincinnati Insurance Company. He then reviewed the policy Gazaway would provide, contrasting it with the Guild's current policy, and explained the various things the policy covers, and discussed D&O (directors and officers) and retroactive coverages as options. The policy will be sent out to the SC for further discussion and action.

Turning Symposium

Claude Dupuis reported reaching out to Peter Breu for help in organizing the event.

GIS

Jim Forbes reported working with four students from the high school in Kittery, ME. He noted that a staff employee was present at all times, and that at no time was he alone with any student. Jim suggested that that be included in our policy.

Bob Couch noted that a teacher at Bow Middle School was considering a summer program that would benefit from having members available to work with students.

Steve Costain

Mike DiMaggio introduced Steve, explaining that he asked Steve to attend and observe the SC meeting, as he (Mike) considered Steve as an excellent candidate for the SC. The consensus was in agreement. Even though he acknowledged that there are no vacancies on the committee, Mike asked the SC to consider ways to add Steve.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17.