

NWW Board Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2018
Location: Farmhouse Restaurant

Called to Order by President Tom Thornton at 5:54 PM

Members Present: Tom Thornton, Norman Lanford, Ray Shields, Gary Moore, Jeff Phillips, Philip Kezele, Rod Parker, Les Books, Michael McCunn.

Approval of board minutes: A motion was made by Rod Parker and seconded by Ray Shields to approve the minutes of the February 20th meeting. The motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer – Total funds available as of 2/20/2018 are \$22,873. Jeff said the Brown Paper Ticket account would not accept Canadian payments for the Stuart Batty all-day demonstration. Jeff made a list of the Canadians who tried to pay through Brown Paper Ticket and told them they could pay at the door for the reduced fee of \$45.00. Currently there are 130 people signed for the all-day demo. The club cost for Stuart Batty is about \$6,000.00.

Jeff has started collecting fees for the AAW symposium. The reduced cost is \$300.00 for AAW club members. Spouses are \$185.00.

Jeff has paid the rentals for the Hillcrest lodge (\$900.00) and Burlington senior center rental (\$275.00). These payments are required a year in advance. Also, our club's insurance of \$500.00 is paid for the year.

Membership - Mike reported there are 183 members on the roster but 53 of these have not paid their dues yet. Some attrition is likely to appear at the end of March. There were 5 new members as of the last meeting.

Mike also wanted to know if we should continue to show pictures of members at the beginning of the club meetings. The board felt it was a good practice to continue.

Librarian – Ron Wehde was not present.

Sawdust Saturday – Participant openings are still available for Sawdust Saturday coming up February 24. The subject will be *Let's Start Turning*, a session intended for those new (or nearly new) to woodturning. Rick Anderson and George Way will be heading up this class. No S.S. session is scheduled for March. Right now, there are only four people enrolled in the *Goblet Turning* class in April.

Newsletter – January 25th is the cut-off date for submissions to the newsletter.

Events - Woodfest is April 14 & 15 this year. Dave Vandette sent Tom a detailed document of tasks and assignments needed for this event. He and Sascha have done a great job of organizing the event to date.

Programs – Les said he is still working on filling out the 2018 programs.

March – Stuart Batty

April – Still hoping to get Dixie Biggs

May – Open

June – Open

July – Hoping to sign Charlie Phillips

Aug - Picnic

Old Business –

March 17 All-Day demo update – Jeff has deposited money to hold the church for the demo.

Phil Kazele has arranged for the lunch catered by Gere-a-Deli. The lunch will be the same as last year.

Tom has asked Laura to plan the table arrangements. Melanie Mankamyer will assist her. Scott Jackson has offered to make coffee, as he did last year.

An email will be sent to club members for volunteers to help set up the demo on Friday night at 4:00 PM. A notice will also be put in the newsletter.

Norman Lanford will help with the logistics for setting up the demo. This will include arranging for the audio person from the church and the club, wood for the demo, possible generator power, compressor, video coordinator, etc.

The doors for the demo will open at 8:00 am Saturday.

Status on electrical work at Gerrit's shop – The electrical installation is completed with receptacles for 8 lathes. The work has not been inspected yet. Rod has arranged for the code inspection from the city.

Coffee person(s) - Ron Torrence has agreed to make coffee for the club meetings.

Trailer parking site / hauling person – Tal Birdsong in south Arlington has agreed to store and haul the trailer, with Bill Colburn (also in Arlington) as a possible back-up.

If Scott Jackson sells his trailer he is still willing to store the club's trailer at his house.

Tool Raffle – The club made a few dollars on the last two raffles. At the next meeting the tool to be raffled will be a 3 ½ inch Metabo random orbital sander.

There was discussion of having two items per month for the raffle with the first person drawn to select what they preferred. It was also discussed to have a tool and a gift certificate for about \$100 each. This will be considered and discussed further at future meetings.

It was agreed by the board to limit the tool raffle expenditure to about \$200.00 per meeting.

Tom thought it might be a good idea to combine the woodturners and woodworkers at the August picnic to raffle a bigger ticket tool item.

New Business

Rod Parker suggested drawing up a blueprint of plans for each event of the year. This would help the next person in charge to keep from having to re-invent the process from scratch. The board agreed to implement this idea and Les Books volunteered to coordinate the initial drafting of the plans.

There was a motion from Mike McCunn to send the application dues to the club's P.O. Box in Mount Vernon. Rod Parker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Rod Parker promoted the idea of setting up studio shop tours of club members, as has been done in the past. The board thought this was a good idea. Rod volunteered to organize these tours. He will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting.

Jim Short, videographer, could use some help during club meetings. Ray will talk to Jim about possibly recruiting up to 4 new people to help Jim, via the newsletter. The board also thought it would be a good idea to recruit back-up people for all the positions in the club.

Jesse Charette is looking for the latest information to update the webpage calendar.

There being no further new business, Ray Shields moved to adjourn the meeting and Mike McCunn seconded the motion. It passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Moore, Secretary