

**NWW Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 26, 2021**  
**Location: Zoom Meeting**

**Call to Order** by President Rod Parker at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Rod Parker, Tal Birdsong, Sherri Greenleaf, Philip Kezele, Norman Lanford, Gary Moore, David Pettenski, Ray Shields, Rick Terney, and Tom Thornton.

**Approval of Board Minutes:** After correcting a spelling error, Ray Shields made a motion, seconded by Tal Birdsong, to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2020 Board meeting. The minutes were approved.

**Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Phil Kezele reported the Savings Account with a balance of \$9,419.50, the Checking Account balance of \$1,988.18, the PayPal account balance of \$757.72, Petty Cash of \$55.00, and Petty Cash / Store of \$200.00 for a total of \$12,420.40 available.

**Membership:** Philip Kezele asked when the club would be mailing out the membership cards for this year. The November, 2020 roster shows that the club has 156 members. Sheri Greenleaf reported that 35 persons have paid dues since October, 2020, but it was noted that the January zoom club meeting had 50 attendees. Rod Parker stated that he will send an email to the members on the November, 2020 roster reminding everyone that to renew their membership and reminding them that a number of vendors give discounts to club members.

**Store:** Tom Thornton stated that there was nothing to report for the store. He mentioned that he still had possession of a large quantity of wood to provide to club members when it becomes feasible.

**Librarian:** Tal Birdsong had nothing new to report concerning the club library.

**Club Meeting Presentations:** David Pettenski reported the following updates to the scheduled interactive remote demonstrations for the planned remote club meetings:

February – Theo Haralampou, a bowl within a bowl.

March – Craig Timmerman, either a winged bowl or an arched bowl had been discussed, but David will ask him to do an inlay presentation instead.

April and June are open at this time.

May – Tim Yoder will present a program aimed at beginning turners.

July – Eric Lofstrom

August – the annual picnic, if allowed.

September – Dan Tilden, planned for a live hollowing presentation at this time.

October – Open

November – the annual Holiday Part, if allowed.

The Board discussed looking into presenters from either the New Zealand or Australia for the April meeting as the time zone differences are more conducive to maintaining the usual and customary meeting time for us.

It was also discussed that both the March and April newsletters should emphasize the beginners program scheduled for May. David Pettenski agreed to check on the cost and mechanism of exceeding 100 participants on Zoom. Rod Parker would purchase the professional Zoom contract which allows unlimited participants.

### **Old Business:**

There are no new programs or upcoming events scheduled at this time because of the public health limitations.

Tom Thornton and Tal Birdsong agreed to schedule the store, library, and wood raffle parking lot event at Hillcrest Park for Saturday, February 20, 2021.

**Newsletter:** The submission deadline for the January, 2021 newsletter is 2400 hours, January 31, 2021.

### **New Business:**

Since the club cannot plan beyond holding the Zoom meetings until the pandemic health measures change, things such as Sawdust Saturdays and shop tours are on hold. There was, however, a discussion that using the available technology club members could receive value added for their membership. The Board discussed the possibility of local online demonstrations. Another suggestion was to hold an informal meeting where club members would discuss questions and issues that they encounter along with a show and tell session. The Board agree to conduct a pilot program of this format on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Rod Parker agreed to set it up on Zoom and prepare a write up for the newsletter.

The location and condition of the club's audio-visual equipment was raised since it was taken for repairs after the February, 2020 meeting. Rod Parker will check on its status.

Sherri Greenleaf will address the agenda item concerning the request of someone to advise a cancer patient on getting into woodturning by contacting the person making the request and ascertaining how serious that person is, and what are his goals.

Tom Thornton asked about the tool raffle budget for the year. It had been \$2,000 per year, but given the impact of the pandemic, Rick Terney moved that the budget be placed at \$150.00 per month for the six months, to begin in February, 2021. Ray Shields seconded the motion, which was then duly passed.

David Pettenski then discussed the research being done by a local company on the genetics of figure in Big Leaf Maple, noting specifically that the company is interested in receiving photos of the stumps of, and figuring in recently harvested Big Leaf Maples to see if they would be interested in harvesting shoots off of the stump.

At 8:37 p.m. Tom Thornton made a motion to adjourn which was passed and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Norman Lanford, Secretary

