

NWW Board Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2021
Location: Zoom Meeting

Call to Order by President Rod Parker at 7:06 p.m.

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

Approval of Board Minutes: Ray Shields made a motion to approve the, minutes of the January 26, 2021 Board meeting, seconded by Tal Birdsong. The minutes were approved.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: Treasurer Phil Kezele reported the Savings Account with a balance of \$9,419.68, the Checking Account balance of \$2,183.30, the PayPal account balance of \$603.86, Petty Cash of \$55.00, and Petty Cash / Store of \$200.00 for a total of \$12,461.84 available. He also noted that there had been an uptick in membership renewals, with approximately 40% of them being through PayPal, and a good number of checks. He additionally informed the Board that the actual payment to the demonstrator in Australia was \$310.00, rather than \$300.00 even, to cover potential currency exchange rate differences.

Membership: Philip Kezele also mentioned that he had a number of membership badges that had not been picked up. The Board decided that Tom Thornton would develop a mailing list from the club membership list and Rod Parker would then mail the membership cards and name badges to the members. Sheri Greenleaf agreed to update the membership list to facilitate the development of the mailing list. Ray Shields asked who and by what means the club gets the information on a new member to Jim Davis who does the name engraving on the badges. He also advised that he had approximately 60 prepared name plate blanks prepared that he would deliver to Davis within the next 12 days.

Store: Tom Thornton stated that there were approximately 20 members at the Saturday wood raffle / store event and that the store took in \$350.00 in sales plus one \$35.00 membership fee.

Librarian: Librarian Tal Birdsong discussed updating the inventory labels and spreadsheet on club property. He also discussed dealing with items from the library that had been checked out for a long time which will probably never be returned. He will prepare a list of the items for the next Board meeting so the Board can consider whether to write them off, and/or, repurchasing them.

Club Meeting Presentations: David Pettenski reported that presentations for the remainder of the years were set, with nothing planned for August or November. Presentations

through June are scheduled to be IRDs and in-person thereafter. He noted for planning purposes that the AAW had canceled its July in person symposium.

David also mentioned that there is a need to consider programs for next year. He suggested that the club might be looking at an increase in costs or a diminishing in quality and quantity of in-person demonstrators. He noted that a number of quality demonstrators have become accustomed to the interactive remote demonstrations where travel and logistics are not an issue, so they might be less willing to travel to far flung destinations and prefer to present from their home location. It was discussed that when in person meetings are again possible, the club might explore an IRD in the club setting to see how well the members accept it. David suggested that the future might be a mix of IRD and in-person presentations.

Newsletter: The submission deadline for the February newsletter is midnight, February 28, 2021.

Old Business:

The club will hold its first Saturday Turning Talk zoom meeting on Saturday 27 February 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. It will be open to all member and the format will be show-and-tell followed by a question-and-answer segment.

There is still the need to follow-up on the location and condition of the club's video equipment. Tal Birdsong reported that the audio equipment is in the club trailer.

New Business:

President Rod Parker noted that someone had indicated a desire to donate a Foxshop 1221 lathe to the club. He will pick it up and store it until the Board can determine the best way to donate it. He asked Sherri Greenleaf to contact the cancer patient who is interested in getting into woodturning to see if this might meet his needs.

Rod had also been contacted by someone looking for someone to turn four 40" x 3" straight table legs. Rick Terney suggested referring him to the Seattle club which has a person who does that type of turning.

The Board discussed that now might be a good time to reconnect with the shop teacher at the Northwest Christian School about eventually using their facility and to re-engage in contract proposals and negotiations. Rick Terney moved to authorize such reengagement, seconded by Tom Thornton. The motion was approved.

Tom Thornton asked for, and received, approval to continue with the tool raffle budget for six months. It was the agreement of the Board that the club would return to selling tool raffle tickets once in person meeting resumed.

At 8:17 p.m. Ray Shields moved to adjourn and the meeting duly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Norman Lanford, Secretary