

NWW Board Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2021
Location: Zoom Meeting

Call to Order by President Rod Parker at 7:01 p.m.

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

Approval of Board Minutes: Rick Terney made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2021 Board meeting, seconded by David Pettenski. 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 \$2,248.32, the PayPal account balance of \$820.63, Petty Cash of \$55.00, and Petty Cash / Store of \$200.00 for a total of \$12,743.77 available.

In matters affecting the budget, there was a question if the club's liability insurance renewal had been paid. President Parker will check on the status of the renewal and ensure that it is paid.

The Board also discussed being frugal with the budget given the drop in paid memberships due to the pandemic.

Membership: The Board discussed sending the membership a reminder by the end of March reminding of a cut off of membership for those who haven't paid their annual dues. After the discussion, David Pettenski moved that the club maintain the current roster and not purge those late in renewing until the club begins meeting in person again, but do send the reminder. Tal Birdsong seconded the motion, which was duly passed. President Rod Parker will draft the reminder letter and submit it to the Board for review prior to publishing it to the membership.

Store: Because the last parking lot store/library event was cancelled due to inclement weather, Tom Thornton reported that there had been no sales by the store this month. The Board agreed to hold the April event on Saturday, the 17th. He is planning to purchase about 10 of the inlay packets mentioned by this month's demonstrator to have available at the April parking lot event. He also noted that he needed to purchase two additional tools for the tool giveaway and will keep the cost of each to approximately \$150.

Librarian: Librarian Tal Birdsong reported continuing work on the list of items that had been checked out from the library and never returned.

Club Meeting Presentations: David Pettenski reported nothing new concerning the planned presentations. The June program is an IRD from New York, and there is nothing planned for August or November. He suggested that by the end of the summer, the club should have a clear plan for the 2022 March all day event.

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

Old Business:

The Board discussed continuing the Saturday Turning Talk beginning each with a designated topic, followed by question-and-answer discussion. The Board decided to conduct the next one on zoom on Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., with the initial topic being finishes. President Rod Parker will contact experienced club members, George Way, Rick Anderson, Rick Erb, and Dave Blair and ask them to head the discussion.

President Rod Parker will contact the Mount Vernon Christian School and discuss the running of the 220 electrical line necessary to power the club's Robust Sweet 16 lathe.

New Business:

The first new business item discussed was maintenance on the club trailer. It is approximately eight years old and has never been serviced as far as anyone could remember and some items are most likely due to be serviced. The tires lose pressure between uses, but have good tread, so the loss of pressure is most likely normal due to being stationary for extended periods of time. The trailer brakes and bearings may need servicing and Tal Birdsong moved for permission to obtain bids on servicing those. Ray Shields seconded the motion, which was then duly passed.

The Board discussed the implications and requirements of Phase III Covid meeting guidelines. David Pettenski agreed to contact the woodworkers to see when they planned to return to meeting in person at the Christian School.

There had been previous discussion of club patches, smocks, and similar items. Two separate local companies have the information and capability to produce monogrammed items. Tom Thornton will gather information from them on cost and availability of items and report back to the Board.

The Board agreed to re-start the Sawdust Saturday events in May, setting the date to avoid the Memorial Day weekend, and advertising the date in the newsletter.

At 8:10 p.m. Tal Birdsong moved to adjourn, and the meeting duly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Norman Lanford, Secretary