

GUILD OF OREGON WOODWORKERS

BOARD MINUTES

March 16, 2005

John DuBay called the meeting of the Board to order at 5:50 pm at Lee Johnson's shop in Portland.

Minutes of the prior meeting were approved as written.

John Dubay expressed the need to clarify the Guild's member "drop" procedure. Should we require that notice be sent to members who have not paid their dues as of March 31 that they are in danger of being dropped from the Guild roll? Should members be dropped without notice? Many felt that the current policy allows adequate time for renewals, but that additional latitude could be granted in some cases.

A Sponsorship ad hoc committee has formed comprised of Dennis Dolph, Ed Ferguson and Tom McCann. The committee met with the purpose of discussing Guild Sponsorship issues and making policy recommendations to the board. The committee submitted a list of issues generated from their first meeting.

Treasurer's report: none

Communications Committee: Bob Oswald was absent, but his e-mail was included in the agenda which discussed his efforts in refining the Guild brochure and the current Guild logo. Also included was an example of his latest version of the logo.

Education Committee: Doug Siemens stood in for Roger Tuck who was absent. The library system continues to be upgraded. The appeal will continue to go out for the return of missing library materials, possibly including a mass e-mail appeal. The seminar season has begun with the great success of the DeDobbeleer seminars which were well attended and very well received. Progress is being made in gathering the necessary information for establishing the student grant program.

Show Committee: George DuBois reported that the Guild will likely have a presence at the Lake Oswego Arts Festival, the Village of Willamette Arts Festival and possibly Art in the Pearl. George proposes having a kid's workshop at the Oregon State Fair and the Salem Arts Festival where children could build small projects such as birdhouses, etc. George expressed his opinion that the Student Show is not worthwhile, doesn't generate much interest and resources could better be used elsewhere.

Meetings Committee: Gail Haskett asked that board members take the lead in making sure that new members and guests are greeted and made to feel welcome. She also expressed a need for more Project Demos (formerly called "show & tell"). Gail requested full participation in the Inner-Guild Show to take place at the May general meeting at Hardwood Industries in Tigard.

The next meeting will take place April 20 at the Oregon College of Art & Craft. The general meeting features Rob Lewis who will discuss bent lamination techniques.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30