

Guild of Oregon Woodworkers

Board Meeting Minutes

14 November 2007

(Note: Board Meeting was not held in October)

Board Member Meeting Attendance

	Position	Member's Name		Position	Member's Name
X	President	Lee Johnson		V. President	Dean Mattson
X	Secretary	Larry Butrick	X	Treasurer	Dick Pettigrew
	Membership	Drew Parrish	X	Meetings	Brian Warrington
X	Shows	Gary Bankston	X	Communications	Bob Oswald
X	Education	Gig Lewis			
X	Professional M-A-L	Bill Bolstad		General M-A-L	Doug Siemens

(Supporting Members attending were Norm Michaud, Steve Phelps, and Roger Tuck.)

Next Board Meeting

There will be neither a Board meeting nor a General meeting in December. The next Board meeting will be held January 16th, 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

Meetings -- Christmas Party

- Brian said this year's gala will be held at the Museum of Contemporary Craft at 724 NW Davis St., in Portland. Wine, beer, plates, and utensils will be furnished by the Guild. Members should bring a potluck item if possible. In keeping with tradition, there will be a \$25-limit gift exchange.

Date: Wednesday, December 19th, approximately 6-9pm (check newsletter for times).

Trailer

- It's been deemed that the guild's trailer being parked 65 miles south is too inconvenient. The trailer has now been moved and stored at a public storage facility (U-Store?) at 92nd & Halsey.
- Lee suggested the Guild needs at least three people who can share trailer hauling responsibilities. Gig and Brian volunteered, so one more is needed (maybe Ron?).
- Lee said there is concern about keeping the items dry inside the trailer.

Action Item: Lee said he would place silicon (Dry-Z-Air ?) inside the trailer.

(Note: We appreciate Bill Bolstad for allowing the trailer to be parked on his property for the last two years.)

Education Committee

- Gig said he needs more individuals to volunteer for instructors to teach classes.
- It was suggested that Gig initiate his proposed Coaching Program. This will replace the Mentoring program which most agreed did not work well.
- Gig reminded everyone about the New Members' Orientation which will be held at 6:30pm prior to the monthly General Meeting. He will also request a notice be placed into the monthly newsletter.

Sponsors

- Due to limited success, it was decided to no longer offer a "Sponsor's Night" during the General Meeting.
- It was suggested that each sponsor gets at least one article published in the newsletter per year.
- Steve requested ideas from the Board regarding how we might show our appreciation to the Guild's sponsors.

Membership

Norm stated there are currently 277 members in the Guild. He said that new member sign-ups are down from this time one year ago. Part of this may have been the large number of new members registered at last year's BNW show.

Treasurer

- Dick reported current bank balance is \$21,479. He said we had about a \$6K net increase in income year-to-date.
- Lee expressed his viewpoint that the Guild should be spending money for the benefit of its members and not growing its assets.
- It was suggested the Treasurer maintain a \$7,500 buffer in the bank and not spend below this amount.

Committee Budgets for 2008

Chairmen who wish to propose an annual budget for 2008 for their committee should submit it to the Treasurer before January 7th. The Board can then discuss and vote on the annual budget at the January 16th meeting.

Any committee chairman who does not submit a budget and have it approved will need to submit individual request for expenses as they occur throughout the year. These separate requests should be pre-approved to insure reimbursements will be made.

General Meeting

The following Board of Director positions for 2008 were voted on by the general membership and approved:

Board Members for 2008

	Position	Member's Name		Position	Member's Name
	President	Lee Johnson		V. President	<i>(no nominee)</i>
	Secretary	Larry Butrick		Treasurer	Dick Pettigrew
	Communications	Bob Oswald		Meetings	Brian Warrington
	Education	Gig Lewis		Shows	Gary Bankston
	Membership	Norm Michaud			
	Professional M-A-L	Bill Bolstad		General M-A-L	Doug Siemens

Board meeting minutes submitted by:

Larry Butrick

Secretary,
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