

Mar. 20, 2014 GAW Board Meeting Minutes

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS BOARD MEETING

March 20, 2014, Wingnuts Restaurant

The meeting was called to order by Steve Pritchard. In attendance were Steve Pritchard, Doug McCulloch, Harvey Meyer, Kevin Wood, Mike Peace, Jim Hardy, Harry Saunders, Bob Black and Mark Sillay.

Treasurers Report: Harvey Meyer presented the Treasurers Report. There was some discussion about how to handle the accounting of scholarships presented at the symposium which was tabled.

A motion was made by Doug McCulloch to approve the report, second by Mike Peace. Approved.

Minutes: Bob Black presented copies of the Secretaries report of the February 4, 2014 special board meeting and the regular board meeting of February 20, 2014. A motion was made by Harvey Meyer, seconded by Kevin Wood to approve the minutes. Approved.

Reports on special project to enhance membership:

Empty Bowls: Bob Black reported that the Empty Bowls did not have an active project in the central Atlanta area and recommended that we drop Empty bowls from consideration.

Member Survey: Doug McCulloch reported that he had sent a sample member survey by email to the board members. He had received some ideas and feedback. There was a discussion about what we wanted to achieve by the survey. The survey is limited to 100 emails and 10 questions per free survey by Survey Monkey. He will revise the questions and send the first survey to the membership.

Attract Students: Doug McCulloch reported that he had contacted some college art departments to try to find a path to students interested in woodturning in the metro area with little interest. He is next going to explore placing ads in college newspapers I hope so attracting young members. Steve Pritchard told us he had looked into running an ad in the GA Tech newspaper in the past and it was prohibitively expensive. Doug will continue to explore ways to contact and attract students to woodturning.

Chapter Collaborative: Steve Pritchard discussed the AAW Chapter Collaborative. He informed the board that there was strong possibility that the national symposium would

be held in Atlanta in 2016. The prevailing opinion was that it was too late to prepare for 2014, that we should enter 2015 In order to learn how to compete in the contest and definitely have an entry in 2016. Steve will find a member to spearhead this effort.

Bylaw Changes: Steve Pritchard presented the bylaw changes that had been described in the newsletter to the membership. There was no further discussion. Steve will present it the membership later in the evening at our regular meeting.

Workshops: Harvey Meyer reported that there was only one opening for the Jimmy Clewes workshop and the Ellsworth workshops were filling up fast and were expected to sell out.

Symposium: Jim Hardy reported that the website for the Turning Southern Style scheduled for September 19-21, 2014 was up and Steve Pritchard was the first registrant using the website.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the board meeting was approved.