

April 19, 2015

GAW Board Meeting, April 16, 2015, 5 Guys Restaurant

The meeting was called to order by Steve Pritchard, president. Attending were Ron Britton, Kim Muthersbough, Mike Peace, Steve Mellott, Bob Black, Mark Sillay, Harvey Meyer, and Jim Hardy.

**Secretaries Report:** The minutes of the meeting held on March 19, 2015 were distributed to the board. Spelling, typos and name of contributing club were noted and corrected. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Steve Mellott, and seconded by Kim Muthersbough. Approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Harvey Meyer, treasurer presented the monthly report. A motion to approve the report was made by Mark Sillay and seconded by Ron Britton. Approved.

**Symposium:** Steve Mellott reported that he is now trying to get members of our organization involved and would be asking for volunteers at the regular meeting.

**Steve Pritchard's remarks:** Steve reported that he and Bob Lough, Newsletter Editor, had submitted the GAW newsletter to the AAW annual newsletter completion. Steve Pritchard, after reviewing quite a few newsletters by other AAW clubs, said he felt we had a very good chance for an award.

Steve Pritchard has ordered 40 Beads of Courage to be distributed to member who agreed to turn a Beads of Courage box. The BOC organization requires that either a bead of courage or the words, Beads of Courage, be placed on each box. After a brief discussion it was decided to pass out the beads to anyone who would turn a box and depend on the honor system for them to actually turn the box rather than try to keep an accounting of who took a bead. The bead cost to the club is approximately \$1.25.

He also brought up that we had in the past few months discussed appointing a hospitality person, but so far, had taken no action. He planned to ask for a volunteer at the regular meeting.

**Hospitality Committee:** Steve Pritchard discussed the need to implement a Hospitality Committee. This committee needs to be about 3 people who attend most of the meetings. Their responsibilities would include ensuring that visitors and new members are introduced to others and feel welcome at club meetings. Steve Mellott mentioned there was also a need to contact existing members who fail to pay their renewal dues to see if that was a conscious decision or an oversight. If a conscious decision to not renew, then why did they not renew? Perhaps the 2 initiatives should be combined into a single **Membership Committee**

**Meeting place:** Mark Sillay made a motion that due the high noise level at 5 Guys we go back to Wingnuts for the board meeting location. Mike Peace made an amendment that we do so but keep looking for a better place to meet. Bob Black second. Approved.

**Auction Motion:** Harvey Meyer presented the idea that turned pieces given to the club by the demonstrators be auctioned at the symposium auction. He brought to our attention that we had one piece that had been donated with specific instructions that it benefit two clubs. Harvey volunteered to administer the auction process. After some discussion about allowing other clubs to benefit from our symposium auction it was decided to limit the opportunity to three clubs: Georgia Association of Woodturners, Atlanta Woodturners Guild and South Metro Woodturners, since these three clubs often use the same demonstrators. The motion; to allow the AWG and S. Metro to place items in our symposium auction with a small fee to cover our costs, with proceeds to be split between the clubs as required. Mark Sillay presented the motion, second by Harvey Meyer. Approved.

**Wounded Warriors/Veterans Show, November 8 – 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016:** Mark Sillay reported he had been approached by a lady for GAW to co-sponsor a show at Perimeter Mall. The show would offer booths to any veterans group to sell its product. GAW would have a booth that would sell GAW members work. GAW would provide demonstrators turning in the booth. It was mentioned that any GAW member could sell work but only GAW who also were AAW members would be allowed to demonstrate due to insurance regulations. Mark was asked by the board for forbearance to table the idea until next month with the Secretary requesting a written proposal or outline be presented at the next board meeting.

**Bylaws Revision:** The Bylaws Revision was present to the general membership last month and will be voted on by the membership tonight. Kim Muthersbough brought up some punctuation corrections which were noted, but deemed to have no effect on the meaning of the language in the bylaws.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Steve Pritchard and seconded by Ron Britton. Approved

**Regular Meeting at Ga Tech:** Steve Pritchard called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Copies of the bylaws were distributed as they were at the previous meeting. A call for questions resulted in no one having any questions. A vote was called and the revision was approved with no dissenting votes.

We had three visitors and one new member.

After the Raffle and, Show and Tell, the demonstrator, Derek Weidman, was introduced as the demonstrator for the evening. He was complimentary of both the quality and quantity of the items in Show and Tell. His subject was how to make animal heads from

multi axis turnings. He left the demo piece for the auction. He had presented a workshop during the day at Woodcraft for members who has signed up

Attendance was 51.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Black, Secretary