

Georgia Association of Woodturners Board Minutes

April 2016

The scheduled board meeting for the Georgia Association of Woodturners met with quorum in place and was called to order by President Peggy Schmidt. Attendees for the meeting included:

Peg Schmid	President	Steve Mellott	Vice President
Steve Pritchard	Past President	Dan Douthart	Treasurer
Charlie Levan	At Large	John Rudert	At Large
Harry Saunders	Scholarships	Kim Muthersbough	Secretary

Secretary's Report

Motion was made to accept the Secretary's Report from last month by John Rudert and it was seconded by Steve Mellott. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report from last month and submit for audit by John Rudert and it was seconded by Charlie Levan . Motion carried unanimously.

General Business

Square Readers - Steve Pritchard brought the 2 Square readers and gave them to Dan.

Financial Reports - Dan reviewed the financial reports, both monthly and quarterly.

AAW symposium report: Steve P.

Volunteers - 1/2 to 2/3 recruited so far. Steve went through the openings by committee.

Reviewed the logistics for the youth room lathes.

Video frame build sessions are coming next week.

Kick off conference call for committee leads on Friday of next week (4/29) at 5PM.

Raffle sales to date are \$1245.00 . 500 tickets have been sent to other clubs for sale.

Membership and Scholarship – Discussion of e-mail Steve P sent with proposed revised wording of definition of Family Membership in membership and slight change to scholarship eligibility. After a full discussion, Steve Mellott moved that the following changes be accepted. Dan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

As to family membership, at the end of the New Membership tab, where it indicates \$30 for the family, it would read:

"including a spouse or significant other and any children under the age of 18, all residing in the same household."

In the Scholarship Requirements on the website, in the 3rd bullet point, a third sentence would be added to read:

"In the case of a family membership, only one scholarship may be awarded per household in a 24 month period."

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Both changes were determined to be operational changes that can be made by the Board without approval from the general membership.

American Craft Council Show – Recap discussion lead by Peg. There was not any income from the show this year (There was in the past.). It was tough to get volunteers to demonstrate this year – discussed why. Possibly timing of the show. Possibly not recruiting volunteers early enough. What do we want to do in the future? Thought to be great exposure for woodturning and a good opportunity for non-demonstrator turners to show off in an informal setting. Not a meaningful cost to the club to participate. Not thought to be a source of new club members. Decision deferred for now. Should ask in November if there's interest, and ask for commitment in January for next year's show.

Woodworking Show – Recap from Charlie. There was a good response to our booth, and we have on informal invite for next year. There's a possible venue change for next year. Steve M. to check with David at Peachtree Woodworking to see what the plans are. Discussion about having a club event soon after the Woodworking Show that could be promoted at the show and used as a vehicle to gain new members. Possibly an event similar to the turning demonstration day that Atlanta Woodturners Guild did last year. Registration at the show would also get us contact information for follow-up and build symposium promotion e-mail list. Also discussed planning a more basic turning program topic the monthly meeting after the Woodworking Show.

Turning Southern Style 2017 – Steve Mellott discovered that the significant difference between our symposium and the other regional symposiums is the venue cost. More time needed than this next year to do research and make decision to change to new venue, so will not change for 2017. Commitments for 2017 feature demonstrators are locked in for Glen Lucas, Pascal Oudet, and Beth Ireland.

Board meeting note re: use of GT Digital Fabrication Lab:

Try to arrive at 5 PM, and not too much before, and first to arrive should help let in the arriving Board members. The goal is to minimize the inconvenience to the lab staff having to deal with visitors and answer the door bell. Board asked to think of what we could do for Georgia Tech to reciprocate for their generosity. Top of head thought was to promote student attendance at meetings without requiring membership.

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve P. and was seconded by John Rudert. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting:

Frank Bowers demonstrated how to turn a natural edge platter. There were 24 attendees plus a few late arrivals.