

Georgia Association of Woodturners Board Minutes

April 13, 2021

The scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Association of Woodturners met by Zoom on April 13, 2021. A quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by President Kim Muthersbough. Attendees included

Kim Muthersbough,	President
Andy Bennett	Treasurer
Ed Perkerson	Secretary
Tim Robertson	At Large
Frank Bowers	At Large
Elisabeth Ross	Symposium Chair

Absent:

Hans Meier	Vice President
Charlie Levan	Past President
Harry Saunders	Scholarships
Steve Pritchard	Webmaster
Open	At Large

**Secretary's Report**

Tim Robinson moved to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting. Elisabeth Ross seconded the Motion and it passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Reports for the Month of March and for the first quarter of 2021 was made by Ed Perkerson, and a second was made by Tim Robertson. The motion carried unanimously. The board agreed unanimously to refund the \$25 to members who attended Scott Grove's IRD before we receive that money from Mr. Grove.

**Programs**

Elisabeth Ross has scheduled Linda Ferber as a demonstrator for May.

### **Business:**

Information has developed that leads us to believe that we can now plan on meeting at Georgia Tech in August. If that proves to be true we can arrange for a demonstrator in person. We need to determine what Covid requirements Ga. Tech will impose in order to inform potential demonstrators. AAW requires a face shield for demonstrators which should be sufficient.

Kim Muthersbough has learned that our club brochures were printed by the Willie Walt Printing Company in Florida. This is a useful piece of information because they may have a template that we can simply modify to print new ones..

Kim Muthersbough has communicated with Steve Mellott from Burnsville Wood Turners concerning equipment necessary for us to be able to broadcast our meetings over Zoom. We presently have cameras that will suffice but we would have to upgrade our Zoom license to accommodate over 100 people per call and/or broadcast in HD. IT personnel at Georgia Tech are concerned about security while using Zoom. They have recommended that we use Microsoft Teams or a program called Blue Jeans. Kim to investigate further.

We would need to acquire a switching mechanism. Vmix is not necessary; it is complicated and expensive. An ATEM Mini by a company named Black Magic has been recommended; it will apparently do what we need. Cost is about \$300.00. We would also need two or three volunteers who would arrive 30 minutes early and leave 30 minutes late. We would also need storage space.

### **Symposium:**

Elizabeth Ross has communicated with Kelly with the Dalton Convention Center; although we have released our usual dates for the Turning Southern Style symposium, she inquired as to whether we might want to reserve other dates. There was a general discussion about having various forms of a symposium including a one-day symposium. Any form of a symposium whether it be one day or 3 would present a number of problems;

- In the classrooms we might have to space students 6 feet apart or perhaps 3 feet apart. In either case we would need more space than might normally be required. At this point we do not know with any reasonable degree of certainty what the Covid restrictions situation will be.
- Would we be able to have vendors with a one-day symposium? Perhaps several vendors could be set up in the hall.
- Would another venue be more suitable?
- Food service could be arranged for box lunches.
- Even if we have a one-day symposium we would still need some time for setup and teardown perhaps making it a 3 day event.

There was a discussion about sending out a survey to members to determine how what their interest level would be in a one-day symposium and a similar survey to vendors.

Elizabeth Ross will develop further information for decision making.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ed Perkerson , and seconded by Tim Robertson.

The Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Perkerson

Secretary