

NWW Board Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2019
Location: Johnny Carino's, Burlington

Called to Order by President Norman Lanford at 5:58 PM.

Members Present: Norman Lanford, Rod Parker, Gary Moore, Ray Shields, Tom Thornton, Angela Hills, Rick Terney, Jeffrey Moore, David Pettenski.

Also present: George Way, Rick Erb

Approval of Board minutes: A motion was made by Ray Shields and seconded by Rick Terney to approve the minutes of the April 23rd meeting. The motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer - In Phil's absence Rod Parker reported approximately \$1,000.00 in checking. The last meeting the store took in \$900.00 and the wood raffle earned \$280.00.

Membership – There was one new member and 3 renewals at the last meeting. There was discussion about forming a welcoming committee but nothing was decided.

Update on Inventory of Club owned property – Rick Erb reported that he and Tal Birdsong inventoried and labeled everything in the trailer. Angela Hills handed out a copy of the completed inventory. Rick separated many items that have not been used for 10 years. Some of these items included tripods, work stand, white boards, etc. He wanted to know what to do with the items no longer used. After discussion, the Board decided to send an email to club members with a detailed list to see if anyone would be interested in any of these items for a small donation to the club.

Tal Birdsong also built racks for the brooms and dustpans. He also made pockets for manuals and other paperwork that was found on the shelves.

Rick Erb suggested that the Board appropriate some money to help Tal with gas money to deliver the trailer to meetings and events.

A motion was made by Ray Shields to allot \$40.00 per month for Tal Birdsong to be used for gas to deliver the trailer, starting in June and extending for ten months of the year. Rod Parker seconded the motion and it passed.

Mentors / Turn and Learn – No report

Sawdust Saturday – Rod will have a write-up for the Newsletter about the top turning SS session on the last Saturday in June and will have sign-up sheets at the next meeting.

Librarian – Tom has been organizing the library by checking material that is old or out of date and never used. He will put these items out on a table at one of the club meetings for club members who may want to take them either for a donation or free.

Tom also reported that there are materials that were checked out but never returned. He will follow up with members that have not returned items and try to retrieve them.

Store –purchase procedure, and ledger – No report

Newsletter – Submission date for the next issue of the newsletter is May 27th.

Old Business:

Website updates – calendar future events; meeting dates and location - Norman will contact Kyland Holmes about cleaning up the front page of the website. George Way suggested filling up the calendar with the upcoming events. The Board felt that we need a designated person to feed Kyland with the information to be added or deleted from the Website.

There was discussion of having a Webmaster that is active in the club. Ray Shields said he would talk to Kyland Holmes to see what level of expertise it would take to run the Web.

Tops for Tots – Tal Birdsong said that he and Ron Radliff are the only ones turning tops for this program. He would like to promote more people getting involved turning tops. He suggested that if everyone in the club turned at least 10 tops this would be a great help to keep this program viable.

Name contact to discuss lighting with Mount Vernon Parks Department (MVPD) – Rod reported that upgrading the lights was not high on the MVPD priority. Rod Parker and Tom Thornton will schedule a meeting to talk to MVPD and get some answers. Rick Terney suggested that perhaps we could buy our own lights if MVPD is unwilling to upgrade at this time.

There was some renewed discussion about changing our venue to Mt Vernon Christian School. The Board will ask the Treasurer to talk to the NCWA club and get a hard dollar figure of the cost for renting MVCS.

New Business:

Date for Annual August picnic, Aug 10th or 17th – The Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association (NCWA) preferred August 17th for the date of the picnic. NWW Board agreed August 17th would be the date for our August picnic.

Date for next Board Meeting – It was decided to meet June 18th. The location is yet to be determined.

2020 All Day Demo – Appoint Coordinator and Team, set deadlines

Set written policy on who gets registration fee waived at Demo – President Norman Lanford said he did not have a written set of guidelines for the All Day Demo. George Way said that Hazel had a written guideline. He said he would get a copy and forward it to Norman. Rod Parker said he will set up a Sunday meeting at his house in June to plan for the next All Day Demo. Rod will ask Rick Anderson if he will continue to arrange for the Posters. He will find out what the deadline is for notifying AAW. Tom Volunteered to be the point person for this committee. All of the planning will be set up at the future meeting at Rod's house in June.

Norman thought it was appropriate to waive the registration fee to the All Day Demo for:

Two Audio Visual volunteers

Two Kitchen staff volunteers

The board agreed.

Top turning, Mount Vernon – July 20th 11 AM to 4 PM Dennis Shinn is the coordinator???

Top Turning, Bellingham – August 2nd Ray Shields is the coordinator.

Top Turning, Everett – September 9th Brad Thompson will be the coordinator.

Anacortes Arts Festival – George Way is coordinating this event. Set up is scheduled for Thursday. The Festival is scheduled for August 2, 3 and 4th. George needs help to take the booth down Sunday night. He encouraged all of the Board Members to attend and help by turning, talking to the public about the club, and setting up and taking down.

Presentation by George Way – George reported that we have worked with the Mt. Vernon High school shop class by loaning them a Mini Jet lathe and providing some mentoring. The Shop teacher will be retiring and wants to keep the wood shop going but is not sure this will happen. If the shop class is cancelled they will return the lathe to Northwest Washington Woodturners. George has also worked with the Sedro Wooley School and The Burlington School.

Mt Vernon Christian School is interested in the club helping them, by providing a lathe for their shop class. George reported that there used to be a fund in the budget for outreach to the community but he thinks that may have been deleted from the budget. He is asking for funds to purchase a Jet Mini Lathe to loan to the Mt Vernon Christian School. The Board decided to wait until we find out if Mt Vernon High School returns the loaned lathe for their shop class. If they return the lathe we will loan it to Mt Vernon Christian School. If MVHS does not return the lathe, the Board will address purchasing a lathe for MVCS.

Rick Erb asked for permission to borrow 4 of our Midi lathes for the Anacortes Middle School on August 5, 6, 7, and 8th for an introduction to woodturning. He will have four members from the club to help with this program.

Rod Parker made a motion to loan Anacortes Middle School four of our Midi Lathes for August 5, 6, 7, and 8th for introduction to woodturning. Ray Shields seconded the motion and it passed.

Other new business – Rick Terney was concerned that the club’s median age is mostly white haired. He would like to find a way to recruit younger woodturners. George Way and Rick Erb have been working with the STEM program to get school age students interested in woodturning. The club will hand out brochures at all of the future events. Angela Hills will order more brochures to have them ready for the July and August events coming up.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Moore, Secretary