

East Tennessee Woodworker's Guild Board Meeting Minutes June 8, 2009

Board members in attendance: Lou Mansur, Dan Land, Vic Kaminsky, Al Hudson, Sandy Pittard, and Bruce Cole.

Also in attendance: Lee Gossage, Newsletter editor.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. Lou Mansur presented the agenda for the meeting.

By-Laws: Lou Mansur distributed a copy of a proposed update to the "minimum requirements" for ETWG Master Class Award paragraph in the By-Laws. Prior to the meeting Lou had requested that Al Hudson recommend wording for updates. The proposed changes were discussed and adopted. Bruce Cole moved that the proposed changes to the ETWG Master Class Award be accepted. The motion was seconded by Sandy Pittard. The motion carried.

Guild Mail Box: Lou Mansur has procured an ETWG post office box. The P.O. Box number is 51804 and is located at the main Post Office on Weisgarber Road in Knoxville. Lou retained one key and distributed a key to Bruce Cole and he will have one made for Dan Land. It was noted that all Master Woodworker Show entries will be sent to the above P.O. Box.

Education / Workshops: David Reeves was the only attendee to Al Hudson's Inlay Workshop. This completed the Inlay Workshop. Clay Crowder's and Jack Rule's workshop sessions on turning are still open.

MWS: Bruce Cole had mailed out the MWS applications with the original 2007 fees. To avoid any confusion from the voted fee changes by the ETWG Board of Directors at the April Board Meeting, the fees for entry to the MWS was remain identical to the 2007 fees. Bruce also noted that he has 2 confirmed MWS sponsors, 1 potential and others in process. Bruce is putting together a press release to the various organizations about the MWS.

Lou Mansur has contacted Oneway, Hartville Tool and Woodcraft for sponsorship. Everett Baker of Knoxville Woodcraft agreed that Woodcraft would be a sponsor for the show. Hartville Tool did not provide a sponsorship, however they have a membership club. All ETWG members would receive a 20% discount on all purchases from them. There would be a 3% rebate back to ETWG. Lou suggested presenting this proposal to the membership at the July General Meeting. This would be to request permission from the members to send the membership list to Hartville Tool. It was proposed that the ETWG rebate money be earmarked for future MWS shows. Hartville Tool will not distribute the ETWG membership list outside their company.

Membership: Dan Land noted our membership is up to approximately 103.

Programs: Sandy Pittard the May presentation is Router Jigs was very successful. Al Hudson will discuss the methods of building curved drawer, door or any curved panel. The remaining programs will include David Reeves in September and Alf Sharp at the November meeting.

The ETWG will have a joint meeting with the Cumberland Furniture Guild in August. This will occur at the museum.

Standards: Ron Clayton (absent) has a member request to be juried.

Website Redesign: Dan Land is continuing the development. Dan will do a mini Website for the MWS. Bruce Cole will contact Jay Harkin to establish.

Other Business: Dan Land indicated that Seth Rolland, who Dan had contacted about doing a program for ETWG in 2010, would not be available to come to Knoxville. Lou Mansur reported that Mark Adams of Mark Adams School of Woodworking, had written to him indicating that he could be available in the winter to do presentations or a possible seminar for ETWG. Lou Mansur will look into this.

Al Hudson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Bruce Cole seconded the motion. The motion carried at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Vic Kaminsky, Secretary

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