

ETWG Feb 14, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Ron Clayton, Al Hudson, Scott DeWaard, Lou Mansur, Tom Sciple, Barney Travis, Stan Fronczek, Lee Gossage, Sandy Pittard.

Committee Reports:

Treasure: Dan Land reports 5 new members joined since our last meeting, and 65 members have renewed their membership. Dues reminders to be sent to those whose who have not renewed to be coordinated between Dan Land and Lee Gossage. Guild is solvent and able to meet its financial obligations.

Programs: Barney Travis presented outline of programs for balance of 2011 as follows.
March- Jigs and Fixtures for your shop---with Al Hudson, Barney Travis and others
May- Steam Bending Wood—Chuck Howerton and others TBD
July-Hand Cut Dovetails, Al Hudson style---by Al Hudson
Sept-TBD
Nov. TBD

Education: Stan Fronczek will target 3 workshops per year. Ideas suggested were vacuum bag applications, basic skills sessions on machine set up, safety and applications, and a potential photography workshop. Stan will try to coordinate these activities in months in which we do not have a scheduled ETWG meeting. Stan has also agreed to draft a multiple choice survey with assistance from Sandy Pittard to determine member interest levels in other facets of woodworking that will help guide educational efforts.

Special Events: Tom Sciple reports 30 members have signed up for the Garrett Hack Session on 3-13-11. Tom will coordinate food and refreshments for this event. S. Pittard and S. DeWaard to bring coolers with ice on day of meeting.

Suggestion made by Al Hudson to consider future sessions to be held at WoodCraft. Al states owners are open to the idea and are not requesting a fee for use of their facility. However any such event and date should be discussed with Al so he may reserve space for the guild.

Standards: Chuck Howerton is our newest juried member. Scott DeWaard suggested making mention of Jurying Process in our Newsletter and at our guild meetings. Scott has offered to send S.Pittard a copy of a letter Scott wrote on this process for Sandy to use in an upcoming Newsletter.

Newsletter: Lee Gossage has negotiated a reduced rate for printing our newsletter with Office Max. Current rate will drop from \$.34 to \$.07/page for b/w copies. Board suggested having inserts with pictures of Program and presenter as well as show and tell printed in color. Lee will follow up with cost on color copies for those sections.

Lee to make mention of award give to Richard Harbison in March newsletter.

Lee to also make mention of scholarships available to members in Sept 2011 newsletter to give members time to submit applications for consideration by 1-31-2012 deadline.

Master Woodworkers Show: Scott DeWaard gave update as follows:

Two meetings held to date, committee in place, website set up (masterwoodworker.org). Scott's goal is to have a minimum of 30 participants and 100 pieces displayed or if responses dictate have 50 participants displaying 2 pieces each.

Scott has agreed to renting space upstairs at the Art Alliance to display works by prominent chair makers.

Scott has enlisted help from intern at Maryville College to help with show and has a future meeting set in Ashville NC with Brian Boggs to garner support and participation from woodworkers in western NC.

Miscellaneous:

Board discussed and agreed to set a budget of \$500.00 for use in procuring a wireless sound system for MHS woodshop. System would be used to enhance communications at ETWG meetings and by the school. Tom Sciple has agreed to make a recommendation on this purchase by the April 2011 board meeting.

Al Hudson made a motion which was approved to grant honorary ETWG memberships to the following individuals for their past efforts in supporting our guild. They are: Alf Sharp, Dan Duncan, and Richard Harbison. Ron Clayton to communicate to these individuals of board's decision.

Submitted by S. Pittard, vice president, for V. Kaminsky, secretary.