

MHTG Business Meeting Minutes
7 October 2015
Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center

1) Call to Order

20:43 President Mark Schnepfer

2) Approval of last meeting's minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES. Minutes APPROVED

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Mark Schnepfer – Nothing pressing from board meeting.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – 445 members.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – Park booked for next year.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Most GT stuff in. 110k bottom line until May ticket sales.

4) Committee Reports – Board Liaison - Chair

CIDERS and MEADS – Cheri Carr – Les Hoffman – One of the best Apfelfests of all time at Stone Fences coinciding with Bryan and Beth's wedding. Pressed 104 bushels of apples. Weather was great. Outstanding event.

CLUB SPACE – Steve Andrusz – Mark Alfred – No report

COMPETITION – Mark Schnepfer – Peter Steinberg – Badger Brew-off is Nov 7 at the Eastside Club. Will need judges and stewards. Peter Steinburg will confirm a drop off place, possibly House of Brews. Isthmus competition is coming up at Hopcat on October 15. Style is Stout, you can still enter if you want. There will be a brew-off to get the beer of the year for their Beer and Cheese event. 12 pack or three growlers is what you will need.

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips – Brian Phillips – Will meet Oct 21 before the meeting at Wil-Mar. Joe Waltz will present a topic Oct 21, hop science. Nov 18 we will have the wort transformation mini contest. Dec 16 will be Charles

McGonigle from Aeppeltreow Winery to do a presentation. Jan-April are falling into place. Hope to get Unity Vibration presenting on kombucha.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Budget coming together. Committees submitting budgets.

GIVING – Steve Krieger – Carl DuRocher – Board approved four proposals from the Giving Committee:

Madison Area Community Land Trust, recommended \$1,500, but will increase to up to \$2,500 because they have a very good matching opportunity and if they need a bit more we might increase it if they would get the match. MOTION TO APPROVE 1500 WITH A POSSIBLE RAISE BY 1000 IF IT ALLOWS THEM TO MEET THE GOAL FOR MATCHING FUNDS, APPROVED.

Recommended \$1,250 to RENEW Wisconsin. There is a strong brewer connection and we gave them this amount last year. MOTION TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED, APPROVED.

Recommended \$200 to Madison Area Bus Advocates. We gave them \$200 last year. MOTION TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED, APPROVED.

Recommended \$500 to WI AIDS Network for the AIDS ride. MOTION TO APPROVE \$500, APPROVED.

GREAT TASTE STEERING – Mark Garthwaite – Mark Garthwaite – Will be meeting soon.

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – Greg Younkin – Proposed dues increase is tabled until we come up with more information on the history. GT Chair qualifications are in the by-laws and we are considering changing that. President asked that we update the membership manual, and we are putting that together. Also working on nominations and elections.

WEB – Mark Schnepfer – Mark Schnepfer – Looking at meeting in the next couple weeks. Possibly Oct 21st if we can find a place to meet. Redesigned the front end of the website. Now we have a tracking system for the inventory and Harry Harris took care of most of that. Thank you! Looking at a check out system for library systems for checking things out. Does anyone know of a front end for use? Bring it to the Web Committee, no need to put in a bunch of time, just looking for suggestions.

5) Standing Reports

CLUB TRIP: Western half of Michigan this year. Discussed the breweries we are visiting.

OKTOBERFEST: Was a good time! Band was great, good attendance by the members. Good food. There were some issues with the PA system and park rules but it turned out ok. Could go unamplified German music. Thanks to Mark Alfred for getting all the supplies together, and Brian Phillips for making it happen.

BREW SYSTEM: New keggels are being installed.

6) Special Orders 2016 Nominations

Nominations were announced and nominations were accepted from the floor. We will accept nominations from the floor next month too, and on-line.

7) New Business – Club Trip Planning for 2016 and 17

Six options were announced for voting.

Voted on 2016 Duluth and W Wisconsin. 2017 E Michigan.

8) Unfinished Business – none

9) Adjournment

MOTION AND ADJOURNED 21:50

Respectfully Submitted 10-12-15 by Cheri Carr

Members, remember this is your club! Take an active and constructive role in your club by regularly attending your board and business meetings, and participating in committees.

A) CALENDAR

10/14	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
10/21	Education Joe Walts presentation 8 pm, Wil-Mar
10/28	Fourth Wed Social Viking. Board Meeting 7 pm.
11/4	Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30
11/7	BADGER BREW-OFF Eastside Club
11/11	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
11/18	Education Wort project 8 pm Wil-Mar. Board 7 pm
11/25	Fourth Wed Social Alchemy(?)
12/2	Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30
12/9	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
12/16	Education Charles McGonigle from Aeppeltreow
12/23	Fourth Wed Social Downtown Pub Crawl
12/30	Fifth Wed Social TBD

LOOKING AHEAD:

HOLIDAY PARTY Jan 9, Capital Brewery