

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

24 February 2016

Octopi Brewing Company

Present: Mark Schnepfer, Jim Mayhew, Peter Steinberg, Cheri Carr, Mark Garthwaite, Jason Walters, Mark Alfred, Brian Phillips, Steve Krieger. Members present, Chris Paul, Greg Washington.

1) Call to Order – 19:17

Last month's minutes APPROVED via e-mail in order to expedite distribution to membership.

2) Comments from Members – none

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Mark Schnepfer – No report

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – Working on a better membership report through the website.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Distributed financial info and reviewed the numbers.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – Logo is being worked on. City meeting is Friday.

4) Committee Reports (Board Liaison – will be reassigned later this meeting)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – We will be doing some welding repairs on the press for about \$250. Cider tasting this year will be Sunday Feb 28 at 2 pm at Rita and Lee Jones house. Invite went out to members.

CLUB SPACE – Jason Walters – Getting people together to organize for the garage sale which will April 10. Brew-in at the club space will be March 6. Thinking about an access method into the club space for members and what sort of internet would be necessary to run an access code to get in the space and tabulate who is there. What about simply changing the lock to get a handle on who has keys? We need to track who is there because things get broken and

people don't clean up like they should. Committee and board would have permanent access codes and members could be assigned a day use code for brewing and access.

COMPETITION – Peter Steinberg – Grumpy Troll competition will be May 14. Enter often! Sign up to judge. Collaboration with Isthmus will be coming up, and we will have a brewing party late spring. Brewpalooza will be happening again and Robin Klinge and Justin Schmidt's this year. Wine and Hop shop competition is Mar 5. They don't need any more help as far as we know.

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips – Scheduled through July.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Met before last business meeting. Dan Bush is new chair and will be doing the presentations at the business meetings.

GIVING – Steve Krieger – haven't met since last meeting. MOVE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION by Steve Krieger. SECOND BY Mark Garthwaite. MOTION PASSES. Closed session. MOTION THAT WE GO BACK INTO OPEN SESSION by Jim Mayhew. SECOND by Peter Steinberg. MOTION PASSES. Mark Schnepfer said he was looking into the process for giving because of a complaint, and said the procedure of the committee appeared to be working well and was consistent.

GREAT TASTE STEERING COMMITTEE – Mark Garthwaite – Meeting in March.

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – Working on membership manual and also the continuity of the position of Great Taste Chair and criteria for the person who holds this position. Hope to have something complete this year.

WEB – Mark Schnepfer – Haven't met. Was hoping the website would be moved over the Five Nines by now. Working on forums. Mark discussed the website and emails it is generating. Peter might be able to write some code to pull out specific membership data for the VP, who oversees membership. Will be meeting soon.

5) Standing Reports –

Homebrewer Bus Tour – Brian is working with the group planning this and it is moving forward. They have a date and several homebrewer homes to visit.

6) Special Orders – none

7) Unfinished Business

A) CALENDAR

2-28 CIDER MEAD TASTING
3-2 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
3-6 MHTG BREW IN
3-9 Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
3-16 Education: Distillation, Wil-Mar 8:15
3-23 FIELD TRIP: WOLLERSHEIM WINERY
3-30 Fifth Wed Social: One Barrel 8 pm. Board 7 pm.
4-6 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
4-10 MHTG GARAGE SALE
4-13 Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
4-20 Education: Brew-in beers tasting
4-27 Fourth Wed Social Mason 8 pm Board *tbd*
5-4 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
5-11 Second Wed Social Malthouse 7 pm
5-14 GRUMPY TROLL COMPETITION
5-18 Education: Kombucha
5-25 Third Wed Social *tbd*
6-1 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
6-8 Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm

LOOKING AHEAD:

OTHER EVENTS:

6-18-16 GLENDALE BEERFEST

B) Strategic Beer Reserve/storage options

Several board members feel we do need some sort of storage for cool or cold. Mark Alfred stated there is a space near the club space that we could access with a key pad. We need to reduce the amount we take in on trade, possibly focus on kegs and things that we are not able to buy. It could be a temporary location while we decide if we would like to build a coolbot in the future. We can use funds from storage for the short term. We can give away at garage sale, especially things that don't store. We want to try to do this before the garage sale. Mark Alfred and Jim Mayhew will talk to Fred and also talk to the leasing agent to see when we can get in there. Mark Schnepfer said that there is also some space behind House of Brews we could look into. Tentatively Mar 13 Sun to move the beer. We want to do this before the garage sale.

8) New Business - none

9) Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Steve Krieger. SECOND by Mark Alfred.
ADJOURNED 20:30

Respectfully submitted 2-26-2016 by Cheri Carr, Secretary

Board meetings are open to the membership. E-mail the president in order to get a topic on the agenda. The board strives to provide open communication and transparency, and encourages an active and involved membership.