

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

26 July 2017

Wisconsin Brewing

Present: Mark Schnepfer, Mark Alfred, Jim Mayhew, Cheri Carr, Mark Garthwaite, Peter Steinberg, Lee Jones, Paul McGuire. Absent: Jason Walters.

1) Call to Order – 19:10

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

2) Comments from Members – none

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Mark Schnepfer – We have a couple giving requests for next month, they just came in.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – 455 members.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Handed out budget sheets, profit and loss and went over the numbers. Spending money on the GT including brewer's gifts and wristbands this month.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report.

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – Everything is in line with the city and on track per Ralph Kuehn, states Mark Garthwaite.

4) Committee Reports (Board Liaison)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – Met at Parched Eagle last week and arranged to have a cider pressing Sept 30 at the Club Space, or possibly in Carol Bracewell's yard. We should be able to get apples from the same place through Bryan Bingham. Maybe next year we can have a camping event again.

CLUB SPACE – Paul McGuire – Reorganized office. Brewers' gifts will be stored there when they arrive. The cans for the crowler filler can be ordered as a club and we can get a pallet. Paul has a table for it to sit on. Jim says the space is adding security cams and we could add Wi-Fi if we wanted, they are adding

cables. The owners of the space were voicing concern regarding personal trash in the dumpsters. It is probably not due to us but we have multiple users, so please be sensitive to the use of the garbage dumpsters.

COMPETITION – Peter Steinberg – Started planning for Badger Brew-off and some other small competitions. Looking for ways to add judging opportunities. People have been encouraged to sign up to take the on-line test for judging prior to the tasting exam which is Nov 11. The class starts Sept 14 and is every Thursday until November 9. The class and the prerequisite of the on-line portion has been brought up at the business meeting and it is in the minutes. Paul and Lee will send an e-mail to the club announcing the course details.

EDUCATION – Lee Jones – Met two weeks ago. Not many social events are confirmed yet. Most fourth and fifth socials haven't been confirmed. We will have to see it through e-mails. Sept will be the BJCP course, starting Sept 14, Thursdays at 7 pm, until Nov 9. Previous judges and those that have passed the on-line course will be eligible. Some subjects are being planned for the next couple months. This may include a wort giveaway. Other subjects coming up. For the socials, we won't be putting them on the calendar until they are confirmed. Aged beer night on Dec 20th probably. Everyone loved bringing out their old beers from their cellars. We'd like to go to Funk Factory but it may be a Thurs since they are not open Wed. We may do a Wordpress learning night in Aug. Peter plans to have the tasting exam for the BJCP each year at the same time Nov.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Budget coming up. Committee chairs will be getting emails. We are in good shape for the festival.

GIVING – Jason Walters – *absent*. Mark Schnepfer said there were a couple items that will come up at the next meeting. WORT's on going donation will be discussed and if members want to discuss, show up at the meeting.

GREAT TASTE STEERING Mark Garthwaite – Committee met and discussed future personnel, and are defining what it means to be an organizer of the event. Mark Alfred provided a comprehensive manual of the event, organizers duties, etc. and it will constantly be updated.

MEMBERSHIP - Mark Alfred – will meet after the GT. Will look at the constitution and membership details and what needs to be updated, and the election will be this fall as usual.

WEB – Mark Schnepfer – A couple people stated they didn't like all the e-mails about tickets. Do we need to go to a forum? The general consensus is that it is only for a couple weeks that we have this e-mail traffic. Members have the option of deleting them or not opening the e-mails about tickets or they can choose to

not receive club e-mails. Tickets for the event changing hands is part of the clubs conversation. It does help if the subject line is specific that it is about tickets.

5) Standing Reports

GRAIN program will be on the radar and going through Wine and Hop ad ordered in the usual fashion.

6) Unfinished Business

Calendar – updating board meetings as the socials fall into place.

7) New Business – none

8) Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Peter Steinberg. SECOND by Paul McGuire.
ADJOURNED 18:49

Respectfully submitted 7-27-2017 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.

CALENDAR

7/26	Fourth Wed Social Wisconsin Brewing 7 pm. Board 7 pm
8/2	GT Planning Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30
8/9	Business Meeting in the Park 6 pm/Second Wed: Malthouse 7 pm
8/12	GREAT TASTE OF THE MIDWEST
8/16	summer break/tbd
8/23	Fourth Wed Social TBD
8/30	Fifth Wed Social: TBD Board 7 pm
9/6	Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
9/13	Second Wed Social: Malthouse 7 pm
9/20	Education: TBD
9/24	OKTOBERFEST
9/27	Fourth Wed Social and Board TBD
9/30	CIDER PRESSING
10/4	Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
10/11	Second Wed Social: Malthouse 7 pm
10/18	Education TBD
10/25	Fourth Wed Social TBD Board 7 pm

OTHER EVENTS:
None on the list