

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

18 November 2015

Wil-Mar Center

Present: Mark Schnepfer, Jim Mayhew, Peter Steinberg, Cheri Carr, Mark Garthwaite. Absent: Mark Alfred, Steve Andrusz, Brian Phillips, Steve Krieger.

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 – We received a nice card from Lily and her family, the recipient of our donations from the club and the members.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred - *absent*

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Distributed financial info and reviewed the numbers. The line item for Siebel kits was discussed. We can get BJCP discounted kits for educational events, Mark G can assist.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – No report

4) Committee Reports (Board Liaison)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – No report

CLUB SPACE – Steve Andrusz – *absent* -Peter Steinberg said Michael Ball's brewing equipment is here currently, and Mike Sproul is going to piece together two systems with it and we will sell one and give the proceeds to Linda. There is some leaking along the back wall of the space. They will contact the landlord. The fire department is going through the units and will be going through ours in the near future. Peter sent an email to the club facilities list.

COMPETITION – Mark Schnepfer – 197 beers were judged at Badger Brew-off, which was more than in the past but we had a shortage of judges so we stopped

pushing the event. Discussed the BJCP training and certification we provide and how to increase the participation level for judging at our events, and also advertising more to outside clubs for judges.

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips – *absent* - Sent an email with Education Committee and events.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Reviewing 2016 budget in Special Orders.

GIVING – Steve Krieger – *absent*

GREAT TASTE STEERING COMMITTEE – Mark Garthwaite – Will be meeting after the holiday.

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – *absent* – Peter Steinberg said the elections are live.

WEB – Mark Schnepfer – Haven't met since last time but Mark Schnepfer met with member Jeremy Rintz about improving the front end and appearance.

5) Standing Reports –

HOPS: Purchased a food saver/vacuum sealer. Looking into parameters for hops like they are setting up for the grain program. Working on making things more uniform through the website in order to find things more easily and provide more information.

Lee Jones may take over the micromatic ordering.

6) Special Orders – 2016 Budget Review

Went over the budget to actual for 2015 and 2016 budget. We were over budget this year and will be pulling from reserves and are making adjustments. Motion to accept budget as presented by Peter Steinberg, second by Mark Garthwaite.

MOTION APPROVED.

7) Unfinished Business

A) CALENDAR

Will be arranging to visit Octopi in Waunakee. Do we want to have the annual board dinner in Dec or Jan? Will decide on a date via email. Sunday early eve works well.

11/25	Fourth Wed Social Alchemy 8 pm
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 Next Door (?)

12/30 Fifth Wed Social Downtown Pub Crawl
1/6/15 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30
1/9 HOLIDAY PARTY Capital Brewery
1/13 Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
1/20 Education
1/27 Fourth Wed social

LOOKING AHEAD: none

OTHER EVENTS: none listed

8) New Business - none

9) Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Mark Garthwaite. Second by Peter Steinberg.
ADJOURNED 20:27

Respectfully submitted 11-27-2015 by Cheri Carr

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