

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

27 Oct 2016

Club Space

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

1) Call to Order – 19:05

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 – 438 members.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Reviewing budget later in meeting.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report.

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – Waiting on the last city bill for the fest.

4) Committee Reports (Board Liaison)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – Apfelfest was a hit despite the lower turnout from not being at Stone Fences and because of the non-stop rain over the weekend. We pressed 65 bushels of apples that day, and Peter held a club space pressing the following week and pressed the remaining 10 bushels.

CLUB SPACE – Jason Walters – The space is more open now that the fencing is gone (as we can see tonight). Our member electrician, Joe, installed more shop lights and the new ceiling fan. He will be installing some outlets, including 220 by the overhead door for the cider press. We will also be painting the space, and setting up a hall of fame on the wall. New coded lock has been added to the door. We need to fix the vent, and Joe will do that. Want to have a garage sale to get rid of some merch and stuff in the office. Nick Balazs is working on the second brew system.

COMPETITION – Peter Steinberg – Isthmus Next Homebrew held the last competition. Badger Brew-off has 121 entries so far out of 150 limit. The brew in

at the space was not well attended, so not sure how much homebrewed beer will be at the holiday party, since that was the purpose. Doing a survey on the competitions we have and looking for input on what the members want. Some responses are coming in. We would like to have a Kolsch competition at a meeting.

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips – Met earlier this month and set things up through March. We'd like to get Micromatic to do a presentation, possibly in the spring. The calibration event went well, very informative. The group was small but had a great discussion and learned a ton, including the math. Looking to do a hop shift, and possibly an aged beer event. Looking to do a big-beer brew event in May possibly, with AHA. The committee is under budget. It seems that we offer to fund the presenters and they refuse to take the money.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Later in meeting discussing budget.

GIVING – Steve Krieger – Three requests brought to board by committee.

1. \$1,500 to Goodman Community Center, by Jim Mayhew. This will be for their Thanksgiving baskets. MOTION TO APPROVE by Peter Steinberg. SECOND by Mark Garthwaite. MOTION APPROVED.
2. \$1,500 to Madison Area Community Land Trust, by Bob Paolino. This group purchases the land for new home owners to get into affordable housing by the organization owning the land. Last year we gave more because there was a matching donation, but this year there is not. Committee recommends the above amount. MOTION TO APPROVE by Mark Garthwaite, SECOND by Jim Mayhew. MOTION APPROVED.
3. \$1,000 to Friends of the Zoo by Eli Woyke. Donations keep the zoo free for all citizens. They are holding an event call Brew Lights but the donation will be used for the zoo and not the event. The event is to raise further donations. MOTION TO APPROVE by Brian Phillips, SECOND by Jason Walters. MOTION APPROVED.

GREAT TASTE STEERING COMMITTEE – Mark Garthwaite – No recent activity.

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – Elections are coming up. Voting will close at the Dec business meeting. We added a \$200 add-on that will do membership badge printing. We can use the badges for a variety of purposes.

WEB – Mark Schnepfer – No report.

5) Standing Reports – none

6) Special Orders – 2017 Budget Presentation – Jim Mayhew

Handed out the budget. Budget reporting will be more streamlined and will not have as many line items. The budget itself will still contain the line items which

are available for reviewing. The Profit and Loss will remain the same. Discussed budget. MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF MEMBERSHIP by Steve Krieger, SECOND by Jason Walters. MOTION APPROVED.

7) New Business – none

8) Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Peter Steinberg. SECOND by Jim Mayhew.
ADJOURNED 20:50

Respectfully submitted 10-31-2016 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.

CALENDAR

11/2	Business Meeting: Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
11/5	BADGER BREW-OFF
11/9	Second Wed Social: Malthouse 7 pm
11/16	Education: Aaron Gary on Beer Laws and History in Wisconsin
11/23	Fourth Wed Social: Alchemy 8 pm
11/30	Fifth Wed Social: Club Space Grand reopening 8 pm, Board 7 pm.
12/7	Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
12/14	Second Wed Social: Malthouse 7 pm
12/21	EDU: Aged beer 8 pm
12/28	Fourth Wed Social: Malthouse casual social (<i>no board meeting</i>)
1/7/2017	HOLIDAY PARTY
1/11	Second Wed Social: Malthouse 7 pm
1/18	EDU: Off-flavor tastings 8 pm
1/25	Fourth Wed Social: Mr. Brews Eastside 8 pm. Board 7 pm (<i>tbd</i>)

LOOKING AHEAD:
5/7/2017 GT TICKET SALES

OTHER EVENTS:
First week in May: Craft Beer Week
5/6/2017 Big Brew, AHA
6/15-17/2017 AHA Conference, Minneapolis