

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

28 Nov 2017

Club Space

Present: Mark Schnepfer, Cheri Carr, Jim Mayhew, Peter Steinberg, Paul McGuire, Jason Walters. Absent: Mark Alfred, Lee Jones, Mark Garthwaite. Members present: Nick Balazs, Matt Marks.

1) Call to Order – 19:05

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 – No report

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – *absent (459 members)*.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Handed out Profit and Loss sheet. Went over the numbers.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report.

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – *absent*

4) Committee Reports (Board Liaison)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – No report, nothing new.

CLUB SPACE – Paul McGuire – Final meeting was tonight. Going to purchase display cases, hand pump cleaning kits for the jockey boxes. We did have an old cleaning kit that people didn't really use. These will need to be checked out with the jockey boxes. We will have laminated copies on how to use.

COMPETITION – Peter Steinberg – Had the Badger Brew-off. 160 plus beers were judged. Gary Lockwood had best of show and Steve Klafka had best mead. Iron Brewer judging coming up in Jan at education meeting. More in the works for

next year. Isthmus did not have a partner to brew so did not have an event this year.

EDUCATION – Lee Jones – *absent*. Schnepper said we are going to Dancing Goat Distillery this week, 12/20 will be the aged beer sharing. BJCP exam went well. 12 people took the test - 9 club members and three others.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Met recently and talked about the transition to the new treasurer. Forms are all set to be changed over in terms of authorized signees. There is one card to use, and we may need another so that a couple people can be available to pay the bill for the social events.

GIVING – Jason Walters –Requests:

1. 311 Charities – \$250. Firefighters doing community work. They largely fund the things through payroll deductions and they do other fund raisers. Toys for Tots is the large one this time of year. MOTION TO APPROVE \$250 by Paul McGuire. SECOND by Peter Steinberg.
2. Tenant Resource Center – \$1,500. Legal counseling for tenants no matter if they can pay for it. Work on eviction resolutions and other services for citizens including low income by helping prevent evictions and keeping people and families in their homes. They operate with the help of many volunteers including legal help. MOTION TO APPROVE by Peter Steinberg. SECOND by Jim Mayhew.

We received one other but it was the last one and we had received more request than money left. Asked the third person to resubmit in 2018.

GREAT TASTE STEERING Mark Garthwaite – *absent*. Jason Walters reports they met recently and are renegotiating for the boat launch to see how they can work with us on the fee. Looking into the securing the police needs. Looking into sponsors by the brewery industry for the brewers lounge, and also for sponsors for the great taste eve events on our website. Talking about how to rotate in some more breweries that haven't been there.

MEMBERSHIP - Mark Alfred – *absent*. Mark Schnepper said about 25% have voted so far. Voting closes at the Dec business meeting.

WEB – Mark Schnepper – Hasn't met recently. Paid for some upgrades previously, but they have changed some things around regarding the modules that we can get separately. Things are still working fine but we may have to purchase a package rather than individual modules in the future for the membership module plug in. Schnepper stated he could continue as the chair next year if needed. May purchase a conference room phone for use by committees.

5) Standing Reports -

HOLIDAY PARTY: Calling out for volunteers.

6) Unfinished Business

Calendar – Next board meeting will be January. New board can decide on a meeting place.

7) New Business

Business Meeting Time – Discussion regarding meeting at an earlier time. Will check with Wil-Mar about the time frame and have new board make any decisions.

GT Laptop – The club needs to have of the GT data and club data on a laptop owned by the club and probably backed up on a hard drive. Jim stated we also need to have a database of the emails, and should back up the things on the virtual server. We need to be able to send emails and store them in our data through the website. Schnepfer will look into this at the web level. We can use board approved spending for a laptop.

8) Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Paul McGuire, SECOND by Jim Mayhew.
ADJOURNED 18:10

Respectfully submitted 12-04-2017 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

11/29	FIELD TRIP! Fifth Wed. Dancing Goat Distillery, Cambridge Winery
12/6	Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
12/13	Second Wed Social Malthouse 7 pm

12/20 Education: Aged Beer / Cellar sharing night
12/27 Fourth Wed Social *Holiday edition ON OUR OWN*
01/06 HOLIDAY PARTY

OTHER EVENTS:
None on the list