

MHTG Business Meeting Minutes
5 Dec 2018
Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center

1) Call to Order

8:33 pm

2) Approval of last meeting minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES by Paul McGuire. SECOND by Natalie
Rew. MOTION APPROVED.

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – This is the last meeting of the year with the current board. Thank you for everything over the year. Happy Holidays! Announcement that Brandi Hedtcke and Dan Hedtcke will be moving away. We wish them, and their son, DJ, the best in the next adventure!

Been a busy month, working on committee work such as holiday party and competition, and some agenda items for the GT. Being more aggressive on brewer facing sponsorships. Been working on club business.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Paul McGuire – 460 members. Homebrew table is located at the back with index cards to write your homebrew. Great idea! Thank you for sharing!

TREASURER – Dan Bush – Went over the numbers. Board last week gave approval on the recommendation to move the accounts to Park Bank from the credit union. This will mostly take place right after the first of the year. During the board meeting we had a really good discussion about the budget in the future, and keeping the GT and club sustainable for years to come. The board members are very conscious that the GT is a profitable event, and the club is the primary beneficiary from it in terms of benefits and perks. We have recommended a dues increase by \$10, to \$50 starting next year. There was some discussion regarding whether it would be a good idea to tie dues to ticket prices, and the Finance committee has always felt they are two separate amounts for two separate purposes and they should remain separate. The board approved the budget as recommended by the finance committee. The board did talk about committee liaisons and chairs needing to look at their budget carefully and decide where we want to be, and how that can help impact us being in a good place for many years. We all came away feeling like it was a positive discussion. GT will be

pushing the inside sponsorships for the brewers that public won't see, such as in the brewers lounge (which the brewers loved having).

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report

GT CHAIR – Jason Walters – Had one big event since we last met, which was the Goodwill Trip. Visited 4 breweries that attended their first GT this year! They had so many great beers. Lots of great tours. Thank you to the crew that was involved in planning! Thank you! Thank you to Fred for all the hard work to maneuver a busload of folks. It is like herding (happy drunk) cats and he does it well. Thank you!

At-Large Directors

Doug Randall. This club has a tradition of helping out. Rockhound Brewery experienced a break-in. We should do whatever we can do to help patronize the place. The have a go fund me page set up.

4) Committee Reports

CIDER – We will be having a mead competition probably Feb 20. An email went out for a call to make some mead. Submissions will open up around January, we will set out a list of categories. Working out other details. We plan on having a tasting in March.

CLUB SPACE – Some new work on RO system. Added a carbon monoxide tester, a breaker for the cider press, and the one barrel system soon to be up and running. If you want to join, hit Joe up on Email. Joe Farnsworth.

COMPETITION -. Jan 16 we will have an in-house big beers competition. Brew up! Some competitions are coming up, Bob Paolino will sent out info.

EDUCTION – Had a meeting tonight. Will send out an agenda. We have things planned out April. We will be going to some new breweries after the first of the year. Will do a wort transformation in April. Dec 19 will be our aged beer night at Wil-Mar. Bring your old beers! Will send an email out. Bring aged beer and a snack to pass, as aged beers tend to be big beers. Will send out agenda this week.

FINANCE – Met for the last time this year. Went over the numbers. This year we transitioned treasurers and we could have an audit on the treasurer, please talk

to Dan after. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BUDGET by Doug Randall. SECOND by Mark Alfred.

GIVING – Finished up on the giving budget by giving the remaining \$1110.00 to Luke House, which is in this neighborhood and serves lunches and dinner every day but Friday. We hadn't given them money in a couple years. We approve \$7,500.00 this year to the Wil-mar Capital Campaign and will do again next year. Also giving to WORT Community Radio.

GREAT TASTE STEERING – Talked about brewers gift, we are in touch with a new artist this year, will be touching base with some planning on that. Talking about ticket sales locations, some locations were different this year due to Star Liquor closing and the construction on Monroe St eliminating Wine and Hop Shop. But both of these are back - Star is reopened and Monroe St is open. Karben 4 stepped in this year and did a great job, so we will be looking at securing locations for next year. The event chair will be looking to open up some responsibilities to other people, looking for good fits, and will be approaching some people that we would like to see if they would like to add to their responsibilities.

MEMBERSHIP – Elections: Voting is now closed. 203 people voted.

At-large directors elected are Lee Jones and Brian Phillips.

Also elected:

President: Mark Alfred

Vice President: Paul McGuire

Secretary: Cheri Carr

Treasurer: Dan Bush

Great Taste Chair: Jason Walters

Returning for One year At-large: Nick Balazs and Peter Steinberg

Tallies are not published but if you would like to see the totals, see Greg Younkin.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ELECTION RESULTS by Greg Younkin. SECOND by Bill Rogers. MOTION CARRIES.

WEB – Haven't met but will be meeting on-line to clean up some of our email issues.

5) Standing Reports

GOODWILL TRIP: Was a good success! Going to Chicago next year. There was some negative mentioning of things on our social media sites. That should never happen. What you do on your own is one thing but we need to never do this on MHTG pages. We are a professional organization with professional relationships.

We have years of relationships with these brewers. Be respectful of what the club and the event has built. The club does have a code of conduct for members, and this trip and other trips and events are very much privileges that may not be available to those that violate the code of conduct..

Other news. Natalie will be getting the shirts to us, and will bring the shirts to the Malthouse next week.

6) New Business

A. Meeting Schedule for End of Year – No board meeting in Dec. No business meeting in Jan.

8) Adjournment

MOTION TO CLOSE by Mark Alfred SECOND by Doug Randall. APPROVED.
Adjourned 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted 12-21-18 Cheri Carr, Secretary

Be an active member of your club by regularly attending your board and business meetings, and participating in committees.

CALENDAR

12/5	Business Meeting, Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
12/12	Second Wed Social, Malthouse 7 pm
12/19	Education: Aged Beer Night, Wil-Mar 8:15
12/26	Fourth Wed Social – <i>on your own. No board meeting for Dec</i>
1/2/19	<i>No Business Meeting for Jan</i>
1/5/19	HOLIDAY PARTY Capital Brewery

OTHER EVENTS:

none