

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

25 Sept 2019

Union Corners Brewery

Present:

President: Mark Alfred, VP: Paul McGuire, Secretary: Cheri Carr, GT Chair: Jason Walters, At-Large Board Members: Peter Steinberg, Brian Phillips.

Absent: Treasurer: Dan Bush, Lee Jones, Nick Balazs.

Member Present: Mark Garthwaite.

1) Call to Order – 19:07

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

2) Comments from Members – none

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – Working on prep work for holiday party and from the GT. Answering questions for Badger Brew off.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Paul McGuire – 443 members currently.

TREASURER – Dan Bush – *absent*

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – no report

GT CHAIR – Jason Walters – Wrapping up the final numbers and will send off to auditors to check. Has all the after action reports from all the czars/staff.

4) At-Large Directors Report

No reports

5) Committee Reports

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – Cider Pressing happening this weekend. Rita and Cheri both unable to attend. Some things were hauled out this weekend, and we have point people in place for the weekend. Ordered 80 bushels. Peter reports there should

be cider available after the event and people that are not able to attend should be able to buy some cider. Peter can sell jugs and transport back from the Cider Farm.

CLUB SPACE – Peter Steinberg – have not met.

COMPETITION – Lee Jones – Badger Brew off entry site is up. Have a few entries. Nov 2. Starting to plan a cider competition for the February education meeting. . Nov is coffee and tea beer.

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips – Schedule on the calendar for what has been confirmed. Kettle sour in Oct. Coffee and tea beer in Nov.

FINANCE – Dan Bush – *absent*

GIVING - Nick Balazs – *absent*

GREAT TASTE STEERING - Jason Walters – Met on the 18th talked about damage to the grounds from the large brewery fork lift. Talked about the large set ups for cornerstone breweries, and how they are selected and if there should be some rotation. Looking at RAT and the vendors, and where we want to go. Seemed like we had fewer vendors. We want to evaluate what is the best way to move forward. Thinking outside the box with the event.

Oct 16 will be a Steering meeting where the board is invited to be there for a combined meeting.

Smithsonian is looking for beer history items, and we are looking to see if we could be a part of this somehow.

MEMBERSHIP – Paul McGuire – Nominations for board coming up soon. Have not met.

WEB – Paul McGuire – No report.

6) Standing Reports –

HOPS Bob Drouth sent out a hop report.

OKTOBERFEST Was a great success. Everything went smoothly. Turnout was good.

Lots of food brought for the Second Harvest Food Bank food drive.

HOLIDAY PARTY Looking to confirm the date and an email will come out.

7) Unfinished Business –

Board Dinner:

Discussed the dinner and options for this year and moving forward.

8) New Business –

1. BOD/GTSC joint meeting Oct 16: Discussed using this also as the board meeting, and can address everything else on email, and have an abbreviated meeting attached to the 16th. This idea was brought up to discuss the financials of the event with board and committee, and what is working with the event and where else we can help to reach financial solvency for the club.
2. Mark Garthwaite talked about homebrew competitions and legislation, and why we do not allow homebrew at the GT. Possibility that we could see some legislation on the horizon updating homebrew regulations for competitions, festivals, and conventions.

9) Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Paul McGuire. SECOND by Jason Walters.
ADJOURNED 20:22 APPROVED. ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted 08-25-19 by Cheri Carr

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

10/2/19 Business Meeting Wil-Mar temp space 931 E Main St 8:30 pm
10/9/19 Second Wed Social, Malthouse 7 pm
10/16/19 EDU: Kettle Sour Beers, 8:15 pm Club Space
10/16/19 Board/GT Steering committee joint meeting
10/23/19 BUS TRIP TO PORT HURON *tentative*
10/30/19 Fifth Wed Social *tbd*. Board 7 pm
11/02/19 BADGER BREW-OFF
11/6/19 Business meeting Wil-Mar or temp space 8:30 pm
11/13/19 Second Wed Social, Malthouse 7 pm
11/20/19 EDU: Coffee and Tea Beer
11/27/19 Fourth Wed Social, *tbd*. Board 7 pm
12/4/19 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
12/11/19 Second Wed Social, Malthouse 7 pm
12/18/19 EDU: *tbd*
12/25/19 Fourth Wed Social HOLIDAY

OTHER EVENTS:

Stammtisch on Thursdays

Fall: Giant Jones Competition