

M HTG Business Meeting Minutes

11 May 2011

Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center

1) Call to Order

20:04 President Eric Schoville

- No additions nor updates

2) Approval of last meeting's minutes

- Minutes APPROVED

3) Officer Reports

President

- Oktoberfest will be held Oct. 8 this year. It will again be at Garner Park.
- Board meeting (minutes are on the website for review):
 - o Beer phone, we are getting a new one. For those who do not know, the beer phone is the brewer phone for the GT planning and event.
 - o Approved \$1000 for the Economic Impact Statement. This will include surveys asking questions of patrons and brewers of GT. The purpose is to gather information on the economic impact for Madison and Dane County during the GT. This is information we could use in the future for the planning with the city etc. regarding the event.
 - o WI Home Brewer Alliance, AHA and others are involved in contacting the Dept. of Revenue. DOR has brought up that consumption of homebrew is illegal outside of the home, but that is up to local law enforcement to enforce this law. We hope to work on changing this homebrew outlaw legislation so not to prevent homebrew contests or the sharing of homebrew outside of the home.

Vice President

- 272 active members one pending. Two new members present.

Treasurer

- The Profit and Loss sheet was handed out. This one is changed a bit, not seeing only April, because we wanted May 1st ticket sales to be reflected so it is "to date" instead. Seven locations sold 3000 tickets. Our deposit to the credit union was to the penny correct for tickets!! 60 designated driver tickets were sold, so there does not seem to be abuse of these tickets, which is good. We took cash and checks, and there were some locations that, upon initial count, thought they were off, but they were not! Very nice.

Secretary

- No report

GT Chair

- Mail order tickets go on sale this weekend.
- Got final copy of art for the glasses. Logo design was passed around.
- Tents are ordered...

3) Committee Reports

CIDER - Mark Schnepfer - Cheri Carr – Carol Bracewell – We met tonight at Dexter's Pub and looked at the schedule for the fall cider season. A club pressing will happen, and we will have a family day with Jim Lindemann, and also an apple pick day with families and of course Apelfest. Confirmation of dates to follow.

CLUB SPACE - Steve Andrusz - Mark Alfred – no report

COMPETITION - Mark Schnepfer - The Grumpy Troll Challenge is this weekend. For this competition, winning entries are chosen to brew at the brewery. We picked up 50 entries this year. We need judges, even novice judges; if you are a novice we can pair you up with an experienced judge. The winner for 2010 Grumpy Troll was Nevin McKown with his Breakfast Brown. Congratulations! (It took longer this year to pick a winner due to the change of brewers.)

We have picked a date for Badger Brew-off, which will be held Saturday November 5th. It is a badger home game day, but they had asked us not to have it on the 12th due to a Rock Island brew club event.

The Bone-yard Brew-off deadline is June 1st. The club will sponsor entries for members, see Mark. We will pack and ship your homebrew for you if you chose to enter these competitions.

EDUCATION - Bill Rogers - Tony Jaques – Third Wednesday Beer School next week will be The Art and Science of Cheese Making by Bill Anderson. Cheese and beer making have some interesting things in common. Starts at 8:15 at Wil-Mar.

BJCP classes are starting soon.

Big Steve said he floated an idea of a swap meet or garage sale at the club space. There was lots of interest in coming to such an event. It was asked if folks have stuff to sell. For those present at the meeting tonight, not much, although it was later mentioned that the general membership (especially longer term members) would likely have extra stuff taking up space that they would like to relocate. See Steve Ensley or watch for notices.

EVENTS - Jaquie Rice – Oktoberfest will be Oct 8. The Fourth Wed. this month will be at the Dane, the Fourth Wed. in June will be at Sprecher's. Committee is looking into a Mallards Game Duck Blind in July.

FINANCE - Judy Kusek - Jim Mayhew – Met tonight. Reviewed the deposit procedure and sales. All went well. Talked about event insurance a bit, and got proposal. Next week board meeting will include a discussion with the insurance representative, show up if you are interested; board meetings are open to members.

The EIS is beginning to happen. Dan Bush is heading it up (new club member with experience in this).

GIVING - Carl De Rosher – Stefan Berggren – Received a nice thank you note from the Burning Socks event.

MHTG has given in the past to the Potosi Museum, but not in a while. The committee is recommending \$1000 this year. They are trying to raise 2 million for the museum, and are only a third of the way there.

WYOU, the community TV station, airs a beer show Tuesdays at 10:30 pm hosted by members Keith Symonds and Jeremy Rintz. Check it out! The committee is recommending a \$1,500 donation this time rather than \$1000 since the elimination of public funding required the station to lay off its paid staff and are now volunteer staffed only.

REAP (Research, Education, Action, and Policy on Food Group) has a fundraiser called Burgers and Brew, and MHTG has given in the past. The committee recommends a \$300 donation. If you want to volunteer for this event, contact REAP (rather than MHTG) this year.

The committee recommends donating \$300 to MABA (Madison Area Bus Advocates) for sustainable bus transportation, as requested by club member, Tim Wong. The beer connection is not driving when drinking, most importantly during the GT event.

GOODWILL CLUB TRIP - Fred Swanson – Have not met yet, trip is in Chicago.

MEMBERSHIP - Jaquie Rice – Haven't met yet.

WEB - Eric Schoville – Not met in the past month. Website updates, include Uploaded meeting minutes and agenda. Eric

5) Special Orders

6) Unfinished business

A) 25th Anniversary Update

Next step will be to do the final drafts, and to get a copy of the photo of the glass into the book.

B) GT Ticket Sales Follow Up

Discussion with members that purchased tickets, and how it went. We should have the captains do a debriefing; lets picking a date to meet do discuss what was good and bad.

Gail Propsom said she could use a few people to help at 6:30 at the club space on Friday for mail order ticket help. See Gail. She could use three or so people.

7) New Business

A) No Crap on Tap

Ted Gisske reports that on May 22, 11am to 7pm WORT Block Party will be happening (located at 118 S. Bedford at Doty), this is the 8th year that we have been organizing the beer garden. It becomes a mini beer fest, so to speak, with many local breweries providing many beers throughout the day. Probably 30 different local beers over the course of the afternoon, raising many thousands of charitable dollars. All the volunteers that were needed signed up within the first 10 hours of posting the request. Thank you! There will be a commemorative plastic cup this year for \$1. Beers will be \$5 rather than \$4, but since it is a pint rather than the typical festival 12 oz, it is still a bargain!

8) Adjournment

- 20:44 MOTION and ADJOURNED to the Malthouse

Respectfully Submitted 05-13-11 by Secretary, Cheri Carr