MHTG Board Meeting Minutes
29 Jan 2014
Wil-mar Center

Present: Mark Schnepper, Mark Alfred, Jim Mayhew, Cheri Carr, Mark Garthwaite, Steve Andrusz, Fred Swanson, Brian Phillips, Brad Zulick.

1) Call to Order – 19:10

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 Schnepper – Working on website. Mark S approved purchasing an additional module for $15 in addition to the two that were approved at the November board meeting. They will be transferring pages to the development site in March probably.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – Has members that need to be approved, but with the website being inaccessible, we will approve them via email.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Distributed financial info and reviewed the numbers. Reviewed last year's totals. GT up 30k. 357k expenses total this year. Net $2,608. Total as of Jan, 110k.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – Lots of phone calls and emails starting already.

4) Committee Reports (Board Liaison)

Discussion regarding what committees we should maintain, what needs a czar vs. committee, and assignment of liaisons. What do we want as far as czars, i.e. we have hop czar, grain czar, and do we need a brewing system czar? No one has wanted to take the role, so it has fallen under general Club Space which includes equipment. We possibly might need people that are in charge and reporting out on things like grain, hops, jockey boxes, etc. Discussed the idea of having these people report out at each business meeting. Club Space needs a

point person for the club brewing system, like Steve Krieger is the point person for the jockey boxes.
The following will remain committees with the liaisons as listed.

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr

CLUB SPACE – Steve Andrusz

COMPETITION – Mark Schnepper

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew

GIVING – Brad Zulick

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred

WEB – Mark Schnepper –

The following will become standing business items rather than committees.

GOODWILL CLUB TRIP – Fred Swanson

HOLIDAY PARTY – Mark Alfred

OKTOBERFEST – Brian Phillips

5) Special Orders

A) By-Laws

Reviewed wording that was submitted by the membership committee. MOTION TO APPROVE WITH THE TWO CHANGES THAT WERE MADE AT THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING, PROVIDING A MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER WILL BE PRESENT TO DISCUSS THE DOCUMENT AT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING, By Fred Swanson, Discussion, we will give the membership some time to review as well. Second by Jim Mayhew. MOTION CARRIES.

6) Unfinished Business

A) CALENDAR

2-5	Business Meeting 8:30 Wil-Mar
2-9	BEER FOR BOOBS! Fund raiser. Noon-4 Dexter's Pub*
2-12	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
2-19	Beer Education: Yeast Propagation 8:15 Wil-Mar
2-22	DISTILL AMERICA 6 pm, Inn on the Park (VIP 5 pm)**
2-26	Social Meeting: House of Brews 8 pm. Board 7 pm Club Space
3-5-14	Business Meeting 8:30 Wil-Mar
3-12	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
3-19	Beer Education: Gorst Valley Hops, Hop presentation 8:15
3-26	Social Meeting: Great Dane Fitchburg 8 pm. Board 7 pm GDF
4-2-14	Business Meeting 8:30 Wil-Mar
4-9	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
4-16	Beer Education: Wisconsin Brewing, Verona. Presentation on German Beers 7pm.
4-23	Bus Trip: Woodshed Ale House (Vintage), Sauk Prairie
4-30	Social Meeting Karben4 8 pm. Board 7 pm Club Space.

Discussed possible Saturday bus trips to Minhaus, Toppling Goliath, and others.

* Beer for Boobs fund raiser for Breast Cancer Recovery Foundation (BCRA) will include 30 breweries, distilleries and wineries, and a food competition for anything containing chocolate. Ticket includes entry, glass, and tasting of food and beverages. $25 without a food item for the competition and $20 with. More info on Dexter's Facebook page.

** Distill America Distilled Spirits Festival at the Inn on the Park in Madison. $50, $60 VIP entrance at 5 pm. See Distill America website for further info.

7) New Business

A) Set rules for 2014 Board

1. Setting some protocol for approving transactions via email, mainly to give all board members time to provide input. Will require a 72 hour time frame, with the exception of when all nine board members respond that they are ready to vote. We have ways of contacting one another to be sure everyone sees the item and has time to comment and we should be able to call it once we have confirmed that everyone has had time to review. This will only be the case for urgent situations that require a decision prior to the next board meeting. Board members may not need to be present to have their item approved.

2. Committees shall be holding meetings that have been published and/or announced to the membership so that membership can attend. The board needs representation by the committee when there are items to be voted on at board meetings.

B) Assign Committee Liaisons
Assigned as above.

C) Discuss/assign Web List Administrators
Discussed the current lists and what lists need to be maintained and who should administer them. Mark S will advise the membership list of the chat lists also.

D) Giving committee proposal
Breast Cancer Recovery Foundation event Feb 9th $3,000 recommended. MOTION TO ACCEPT by Jim Mayhew. Second by Mark Alfred. MOTION APPROVED.

8) Adjournment
MOTION TO CLOSE by Jim Meyhew SECOND by Brian Phillips
ADJOURNED 21:12

Respectfully submitted 01-30-2014 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.