

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes
27 February 2013
Karben 4 Brewery

Present: Mark Schnepfer, Jim Mayhew, Cheri Carr, Mark Garthwaite, Mark Alfred, Steve Andrusz, Kate Stalker, Fred Swanson. Members present: Carl Du Rosher, Keith Benzine and member guest, Chris Benzine (*note: Chris Benzine is a member's guest and is writing about the board meeting and social meeting for a journalism class project*)

1) Call to Order – 19:24

MOTION TO SUSPEND ANY RULE SO THAT CHRIS BENZINE MAY LISTEN AND WRITE ABOUT THE MEETING FOR HIS CLASS PROJECT. MOTION APPROVED.

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 Schnepfer – MOTION TO APPROVE NEW MEMBERS. MOTION APPROVED FOR NEW MEMBER REQUESTS. 318 members.

VICE-PRESIDENT – *vacant*

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Distributed first two months financial info and reviewed the numbers. Distributed the balance sheet and explained the numbers. We are set until ticket sales. Tax draft was e mailed to board, please review and get back to Jim prior to the business meeting.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report.

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – No report.

4) Committee Reports (board Liaison)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – no report

CLUB SPACE – Steve Andrusz – Looking at buying a ladder, need a heavy duty for the space. 12 foot, \$300 or \$400 has been approved. Brad Zulick and Sam

Jackson have started training new members and taking care of the club space and club system. They are keeping it clean and well kept, KUDOS!!

COMPETITION – Mark Schnepfer – Met recently. Working on Grumpy Troll Challenge which is the second Sat in May.

EDUCATION – Mark Garthwaite –Mar 20th will be a tour/discussion at Death's Door in Middleton. There might be a co-pay for this. Who is on the committee? Mostly Tony Jaques takes care of things. Lots of people are interested in the education committee.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Met recently. They are tweaking the budget process by combining the two software programs. Want to get a handle on long term economic impact study, pre GT events.

GIVING – Kate Stalker – Recommended giving:

Jim Mayhew: \$500 to Ferry Bluff Burning Socks event. \$500 recommended.

Fred Swanson: \$2,500 Breast Cancer Recovery matching. \$2,500 recommended.

Bob and Judy Drouth: \$1,000 Special Olympics. \$1,000 recommended.

Stefan Berggren: \$1,250 to WI Parkinson's Association. \$1,000 recommended.

The guidelines for charitable giving were discussed. The committee does a nice job recommending and distributing charitable contributions. MOTION TO ADD \$500 TO EACH OF THESE FOUR CHARITIES. Discussion: We often are scrapping to give away money at the end of year, and we are sitting well right now, so we could give more money earlier. REQUESTED AMENDMENT: Give the committee the authority to add if they want, or save until later for other options. DISCUSSION: Adding a flat amount to each gives 50% to one group, much less to other groups. The committee has decided on the amounts they want, so should we just leave it? What about a percentage increase? AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN. AMENDMENT TO ADD 25% TO EACH OF THE FOUR RECOMMENDED CHARITIES. MOTION CARRIES.

GOODWILL CLUB TRIP – Fred Swanson - Fred Swanson – Will be putting out a call for members.

HOLIDAY PARTY Mark Alfred –no report

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – Mark Schnepfer – Met last week. Will be discussing later.

OKTOBERFEST – no report.

WEB – Eric Schoville is possibly willing to be the administrator if we have people to do the day to day. Mark Schnepfer, Garthwaite and Ralph Kuehn will be meeting with Eric to discuss.

5) Special Orders – None.

6) Unfinished Business

A) CALENDAR

- 3-6: Business meeting Wil-Mar, 8:30 pm
- 3-13: Second Wed Social, Malthouse
- 3-20: Beer School, Deaths door tour/discussion. Middleton 7 pm. EARLY TIME and possible entry fee.
- 3-27: Ale Asylum 8 pm. beer subsidy card until gone. (Possibly earlier date because spring break) Board meeting at 7.
- 4-3: Business meeting, Wil-Mar 8:30 pm
- 4-10: Second Wed Social, Malthouse
- 4-17: Beer School, TBD Cheri will talking to Tony for Come Back Wisconsin, beer movie.
- 4-24: Fourth Wed Social, 8 pm. Beer subsidy card until gone. Vintage Brewery. Board meeting 7pm.
- 5-1 Business meeting, Wil-Mar. 8:30 pm.
- 5-8 Second Wed Social, Malthouse.
- 5-15 EDU TBD

Mark S will do a survey monkey for social requests.

OTHER: Friday in the summer, possibly Huber Brewery and Museum and distillery in Monroe (instead of New Glarus- we could alternate years)

B) GT Ticket Sales

Multiple or one location is the biggest question at this point. Ticket sales and GT czars will be looking into and gathering info.

C) Czar Positions

Do we want to mention the appointing of club czars in the by-laws? By-laws are vague regarding czar functions. we could firm this up now that we are looking at by-laws anyway. Club can appoint a committee and the committee can appoint a chair. There is a difference because a czar is a single function appointee. It could be as simple as stating the board can appoint a czar along with the wording appointing committees. General consensus of the board is that it is a good idea to add this wording.

D) Bylaw Amendment

Mark S sent an e mail about what the membership committee came up with regarding succession procedures. Dan Bush had given us the state statutes regarding non profits, and they seem to be what we want to do but we would

like to put it in the by-laws so that it is clear in the future. There is no hurry, because it defaults to Roberts Rules, so we are technically covered.

Discussion: Regarding Roberts Rules and if we need to defer to or state differently in the by-laws. The membership committee stated they would like to have a definition in the by-laws, and there was a good attendance at the meeting. MOTION THAT THE BOARD ACCEPTS THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REGARDING SUCCESSION. MOTION CARRIES.

WE need to now fill the vice president. Nominating Mark Alfred. MARK ALFRED ACCEPTS THE POSITION OF VICE PRESIDENT. MOTION THAT HE MOVE FROM BOARD AT LARGE TO VICE PRESIDENT. MOTION CARRIES. MOTION TO APPROACH THE NEXT HIGHEST VOTE COUNT FROM BOARD MEMBER ELECTION. BRIAN PHILLIPS. MOTION CARRIES. Brian Phillips was retrieved. BRIAN PHILLIPS ACCEPTS.

E) Incorporating New Members into Board

Table until next meeting

7) New Business

none

8) Adjournment

MOTION AND ADJOURNED 20:31

Respectfully submitted 2-xx-2013 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.