

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

24 April 2013

Vintage Brewery

Present: Mark Schnepfer, Jim Mayhew, Cheri Carr, Mark Alfred, Steve Andrusz, Kate Stalker, Fred Swanson. Brian Phillips, Mark Garthwaite. Absent: Steve Andrusz. Members present: Mark Leitermann, Peter Steinberg, Tom Connors.

1) Call to Order – 19:06

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 – Talking about website with Eric to see where we should go from here. One member knows Ruby on Rails, and Mark is talking to him to see if we can work with this.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – 350 active members. MOTION TO APPROVE NEW MEMBERS. MOTION APPROVED.

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – Distributed financial info and reviewed the numbers. This is the end of year report, technically. We have ticket sales coming up which will change this significantly. We may have extra funds at the end of next year, which we can use for giving, or another purpose.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No report.

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – Tickets are printed. Glassware is ordered, will be over budget slightly, but this was the best option pricewise.

4) Committee Reports (board Liaison)

CIDER and MEAD – Cheri Carr – Stone Fences is the last weekend in Sept. 27th-29th.

CLUB SPACE – Steve Andrusz – *absent*. Schnepfer said that the Fire report on the club space has yielded nothing, likely meaning we are ok.

COMPETITION – Mark Schnepfer – Grumpy Troll May 11th. The Committee will be coordinating with Wisconsin Brewers Guild state festival in Glendale on June 15th for judges from our club. The Kohler festival is May 31st – June 2nd. Peter Steinberg will announce these festivals. Mark is looking into possible speaker options for Badger Brew-off.

Peter Steinberg spoke and said he is looking to get a scanner for the Competition Committee so that they can scan the results for the entrants. Most competitions are turning towards this so the entrants can be handed their results on the spot rather than mailing them. He presented information on a couple scanner options, and recommends \$250 for one able to duplex. **MOTION TO BUY THE RECOMMENDED SCANNER FOR THE CLUB TO BE USED BY COMPETITION COMMITTEE AND OTHERS AS NEEDED. MOTION CARRIES.**

EDUCATION – Mark Garthwaite – Tony will be planning something for May and June. Tours are good in the warmer months. We may possibly a food pairing at some point with Goose Island.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – No report.

GIVING – Kate Stalker – One proposal came in, the Giving Committee will meet to discuss.

GOODWILL CLUB TRIP – Fred Swanson – No report. Will be meeting soon for St Louis trip planning.

HOLIDAY PARTY Mark Alfred – No report. Mark will be securing the location.

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – Have not met regarding the by-laws since last time.

OKTOBERFEST – Brian Phillips – Saturday Oct. 5th at Garner Park. It had to be moved due to Stone Fences hosts needing a specific date. Brian will be securing the beer.

WEB – Looking for a chair. Talking to Eric about how we should proceed.

5) Special Orders

None

6) Unfinished Business

A) CALENDAR

- 5-1 Business meeting, Wil-Mar 8:30 pm.
- 5-8 Second Wed Social, Malthouse.
- 5-15 Beer School, TBD.
- 5-22 Tentative Lake Louie tour? Fred will look into it.
- 5-29 Fourth Wed Social, Alchemy 8 pm. Board meeting, 7 pm Club space.
- First week in May: CRAFT BEER WEEK
- 5-5 TICKET SALES. Barley wine tasting following. Great Dane Hilldale 3 pm.
- 6-5 Business meeting, Wil-Mar 8:30 pm.
- 6-12 Second Wed Social, Malthouse 8 pm.
- 6-15 BREWPALOOZA
- 6-19 Education TBD.
- 6-26 Fourth Wed Social, Capital Brewery 8 pm. Board meeting 7 pm.
- 7-3 Business Meeting Wil-Mar 8:30
- 7-10 Second Wed Social, Malthouse
- 7-17 Education TBD
- 7-24 Great Taste Planning
- 7-31 Great Taste Planning
- 8-7 Business Meeting night
- 8-10 GREAT TASTE OF THE MIDWEST

Looking at survey results for location favorites for social meetings.

B) GT Ticket Sales

All venues have signed up to sell tickets again. Some change of volunteers but moving forward. Filling available captain positions and setting up teams.

C) By-law Amendment

Working on wording with the Membership Committee. No new news.

7) New Business

Proposed bus to Lake Louie

Hop Head Beer Tours has purchased a tour vehicle with 14 seats. We could use their services, but would have to maybe raffle the seats, and drivers of car pool folks could have a seat on next bus. What is the cost of a school bus for Lake Louie so more could go? A school bus could take about 40. We could possibly have two pick up points, East and West. Fred will look into this. We would like to use Hop Head Tours for future endeavors things to support them, maybe transporting judges to Glendale.

8) Adjournment

MOTION AND ADJOURNED 19:46

Respectfully submitted 04-28-2013 by Cheri Carr, Secretary

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