

**MHTG Business Meeting Minutes
6 November 2013
Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center**

1) Call to Order –

20:33 President Mark Schnepfer

2) Approval of last meeting's minutes

Minutes APPROVED

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Mark Schnepfer – Web moving forward, mail is not archiving, but we are working on that. It should work better than the previous one. We can increase the size limit, and we can hold and review things rather than the things getting kicked out. The electronic dues feature does not seem to be working, but will try to get it going for the bulk renewals coming up. Should we send a dues renewal in the mail? The membership committee can make the decision. We can handle checks if we have to.

Homebrews (and meads) present were introduced! Thank you for bringing items to share!

VICE-PRESIDENT – Mark Alfred – *absent*

TREASURER – Jim Mayhew – There was some financial action this month, with the cider pressing, Oktoberfest, and the membership mailing. Current club financial info was sent to the membership list. 124 K. Went over the numbers. Questions email to Jim.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – No Report

GT CHAIR – Mark Garthwaite – No report

4) Committee Reports – *Board Liaison - Chair*

CIDERS and MEADS – Cheri Carr – Les Hoffman – Had a pressing at the club space. Pressed lots of local apples and some pears.

CLUB SPACE – Steve Andrusz – Steve Ensley – We had an apple pressing there! The group left the place very clean.

COMPETITION – Mark Schnepfer – Peter Steinberg – Badger Brew-Off is on the 16th. Judges need to be there by 9 am. If you want to sign up to judge or steward, we can use you. We can send out Brew competition site where you can sign up our entries you can sign up to judge there. Let Peter Steinberg know if you are interested. We were not able to find a speaker this year, but we are already looking for next year since we have the date secured.

EDUCATION – Brian Phillips – Tony Jaques – Sent a survey out asking about ideas. There is a good mixture of what people want to see. Receiving the most votes was presentations on homebrewing and professional brewing, and beer styles with homebrews and commercial, followed by guest professional brewer/distiller, and then homebrewing techniques. There were lots of good ideas and comments. Aged beer night is Nov 20th, be sure to let Brian know what you are bringing.

FINANCE – Jim Mayhew – Jim Mayhew – Committee met tonight and finished the budget. Committee will now to vote and take to board meeting on the 20th. The committee is happy with it overall.

GIVING – Kate Stalker – Carl DuRocher – Looking for a time to meet to review giving requests for the last couple months of the year.

GOODWILL CLUB TRIP – Fred Swanson – Fred Swanson – Leaving at 7 am Nov 22nd. Reminder that we are going to a major urban center so price points will be higher. There are two major sporting events at the same time.

HOLIDAY PARTY – Mark Alfred – Mark Alfred – Will take place January 4th this year, next year we will go back to the second Sat in December (Mark stated at the board meeting there is not a theme other than celebrating our successes).

MEMBERSHIP – Mark Alfred – Greg Younkin – we are working out the small details of the by-law/succession plan and working with the board.

OKTOBERFEST– Brian Phillips – Steve Krieger – We were \$240 under budget this year, it might be fun to get a band for a short time next year.

WEB – Mark Schnepfer – TBD – The e-mail program has been changed and should work better. Volunteers are working on the development site.

5) Beer Break (by-passing and continuing)

6) Special Orders –

A) Election nominations and Candidate Speeches

Nominations announced. MOTION TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS.
MOTION APPROVED. Nominations are closed.
Will be sending out ballots which are due by the December Business meeting.

7) New Business – none

8) Unfinished Business

A) Succession and By-law plan review

We will get this reconciled between the board and committee, and will look to get it to the membership to review prior to the December Business meeting and look for 2/3 vote required to pass.

9) Adjournment

- MOTION and ADJOURNED 20:59

Respectfully Submitted 11-15-13 by Cheri Carr, Secretary

Members, remember this is your club! Take an active and constructive role in your club by regularly attending your board and business meetings, and participating in committees.

Calendar:

11-16	BADGER BREW-OFF
11-20	Board meeting 7 pm Wil-Mar or club space. Beer Education "Aged Beers" 8:15 pm
11-22-24	GOODWILL TRIP St. Louis
11-27	Alchemy, Social 8 pm
12-4	Business Meeting 8:30 Wil-Mar
12-11	Malthouse Second Wed Social 7 pm
12-18	(Tentative) Beer Tour: Wisconsin Brewing in Verona 7 pm. Board dinner/meeting Quivey's 5:30 pm
12-25	Christmas day - <i>No MHTG events</i>
1-1-14	New Years day - <i>No MHTG events</i>
1-4	HOLIDAY PARTY

**note: Malthouse changing to 7 pm on a regular basis, all other events to remain the same*