

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

30 November 2011

Glass Nickel Pizza

Present: Eric Schoville, Jaquie Rice, Judy Kusek, Bill Rogers, Cheri Carr, Fred Swanson, Stefan Berggren, Mark Schnepfer, Mark Alfred. Members present, Dan Bush, Jim Mayhew.

1) Call to Order - 20:36 President Eric Schoville

- Previous meeting minutes APPROVED via e-mail to allow for timely distribution to the membership

2) Comments from Members

- None

3) Officer Reports

PRESIDENT – Eric Schoville – The bottles from Point will be at the Club Space Fri Dec 9th and Sat Dec 10th. There are 52 cases and we had 58 requests for cases.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Jaquie Rice – We have 301 active members and three pending. Pending member statements were read.
MOTION TO APPROVE MEMBERS. APPROVED.

TREASURER – Judy Kusek – There is a \$200 payment to Three Floyds from the club trip, for a total of \$1,618.34. Was Three Floyds to pay that? This was from some folks that did not eat dinner, and it made each dinner more costly.

SECRETARY – Cheri Carr – no report.

GT CHAIR – Bill Rogers – Staybridge Suites will be added to the group ticket sales. Eric stated he would like a conversation regarding who is on the group sales list and why. What are the criteria? Should some of these be added to general sales? He stated we should decide on our target percentage of group sales. Many of these groups are homebrew clubs, and we want to support homebrew clubs. Does this depend upon whether they bring a busload or not? Should it? We could sell the group tickets much earlier than ticket sales day.

4) Committee Reports (board Liaison – Chair)

CIDERS and MEADS - Mark Schnepfer/Cheri Carr – The Cider Tasting event was a hit. We had many ciders and meads. The committee would like some

ciders on tap and a cider and mead table for the Christmas party for those that are not so much into beer, spouses, etc. Just a corner with a table would be good.

CLUB SPACE - Steve Andrusz - Mark Alfred – Area is being organized.

COMPETITION - Mark Schnepfer – Mark Schnepfer – Badger Brew-off had 182 entries and went well. The Eastside Club worked well for the event. There is one more event we are sponsoring, in Jan.

EDUCATION - Bill Rogers - Tony Jaques – no report

EVENTS - Jaquie Rice – Jaquie Rice – Holiday Party is next Saturday. Jaquie is still looking for volunteers to help. Not nearly enough people have signed up. The last Wed social will be at the Topsy Cow. The committee will plan the first three months for next year's committee.

FINANCE - Judy Kusek - Jim Mayhew – Will have the Economic Impact Statement later this meeting.

GIVING - Carl DuRocher – Stefan Berggren – The committee has \$7,750 left to give, and recommends \$2,000 to Salvation Army, and also some to Porchlight, a local charity for the homeless. Patrick Hutton had recommended some for a veterans group he works with. Judy and Fred stated we would like the money to be distributed before year's end, rather than hold it over. If anyone has ideas, submit to the committee and we can approve over e-mail. Salvation Army says they cannot guarantee that the money would be used to help the homeless for the winter. We may not want to give to them as much, if this is the case. What about more local orgs?

GOODWILL CLUB TRIP - Fred Swanson – We lost Steve Klafka but went back for him! People were joining and leaving the trip this year since it was so close to home and that made counting people more difficult. Three Floyds did not pay the money, it was \$250 short since some people did not eat, and they absorbed \$50. We paid them \$200. The itinerary said "on your own" meaning you are responsible for paying for the meal. We will be clearer in the future. Kudos to the planners, it is a huge amount of work.

MEMBERSHIP - Jaquie Rice – Mark Morrison – Elections are next week. We have a team to count ballots.

WEB - Eric Schoville – Eric Schoville – Drupal not working so well. Eric is working on it. Committee has not met recently.

5) Special Orders – None

6) Unfinished business

A) 25th Anniversary Book Sales

Will bring to meeting, how about to the holiday party? What about the legality of selling at the Wine and Hops Shop or other outlets? There is a barcode on the books, they could take on consignment and give us a check later on, for a one time sale. We could give them to the outlets for \$20, they could sell \$23.70, and that would make it an even \$25.

Tasks: Bill will talk to Charlie at Wine and Hops Shop
Jaquie will talk to Otto at Ale Asylum and Mark at Oso
Judy will talk to Deb at Capital.

B) Economic Impact Statement

Jim Mayhew and Dan Bush presented the rough data of the statement. Excellent work! Good numbers. Discussion after review included: do we wish to shelve it and use if needed to present to city if we need to use it? Or do we use it for a tourism or convention bureau? Bill said at the Malthouse he is getting info about groups that will be in town and how they may impact the business community. These are points for discussion. It will be prepared into reports to use. Jim said they feel very confident in the data. *Round of applause ensued.*

C) Pop ups

We will buy them from Tom Griffin if he brings the receipts.

7) New Business

A) Board Approved Projects

Mark Schnepfer said we would like to have three gallon kegs for use by members that wish to donate partial batches to the club and for water for club use. It should cost about \$240 or less to take care of this. Judy stated the club brew system came in under budget, so there is money in the equipment budget that can be used. No board approval is necessary, since it is already allocated to equipment.

We would like another jockey box, and repair to current boxes. Ok to do this also, said Judy, just get it in by Dec 31.

B) GT Planning

8) Adjournment

- MOTION and ADJOURNED 20:06

Respectfully Submitted 12-03-11 by Secretary, Cheri Carr

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