

MHTG Business Meeting Agenda

November 2023

I. Call to order at 8:40 PM by Paul McGuire, President

II. Approval of minutes- Submitted by Laura Hall

1. Motion by member Gary, second by Tom.

III. Officer Reports

A. President – Paul McGuire

1. Thank you to everyone who helped with and attended Apfelfest, the mystery single hop competition featuring Idaho Gem (Justin and Ryan won!), Steins and Pizza at Cambridge Pottery, Awildan social, Stammtisch and Wild Beer Discussion Group at Black Rose. Our committees are doing good work. Thank you to the board.

B. Vice President – Nick Balazs

1. Call for new members in attendance, but none made themselves known.
2. 332 total members in the club.
3. Around 30 members are here tonight.
4. Introductions of homebrew brought to the meeting
5. There is wine from DnA Vitners out of La Crosse is in the back of the room to drink. We are missing our CO2 tank so cannot serve beer as normal.

C. Treasurer – Ryan Mallet

1. We have \$300,000 in investments. Still have some bills from Great Taste to pay such as police and the city.
2. Finance committee has taken in all the committee budgets and will be presenting them to the board next week. Final budgets will then be shared.

D. Secretary – Laura Hall

1. Continue to send budget items to secretary@mhtg.org.

E. GT Chair - Great Taste Steering – Doug Randall

1. Working through the budget for 2024.

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2. Goodwill trip is coming up, and we are going to Chicago. Detailed itinerary to follow.

F. At Large Directors

1. No report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Cider and Mead

1. Pressing went well. Thanks to everyone who came out. No future events are planned at this time.

B. Club Space/ Facilities

1. Everything going well with facility cleaning. Please keep signing up. The space has been in excellent shape.

C. Competition

1. Badger Brew Off is the Saturday following this meeting.

D. Education

1. Nov 8 Matl house, 15th intro to gin, 22nd Alchemy, 29th Black Rose Blending social.

E. Finance

1. No additional report.

F. Giving

1. Met on 10/17. We had 4 organizations left to go through, which if approved would use up the rest of our budget. Will go to the Board this month.
2. Thank you to everyone who has participated in the Giving committee and made requests. We had over 20 requests this year.

G. Membership

1. There is a prototype for a brochure. Will circulate to the membership and ask for thoughts. When complete, the brochures will be distributed to homebrew shops and several breweries have also expressed interest.

H. Technology and Social Media

1. There was a request to host homebrew recipes on the website, and that will be explored.

V. Business

A. 2024 Board of Directors nominations

1. Named positions all only have one accepting candidate for each position.
2. At Large Directors: Justin Kuehn accepted. Fred Yingling accepted. Duane Buscher declined. Mark Lyon declined
3. Call for nominations from the floor. There are none
4. Because we have an unopposed ballot, we can approve by acclimation if the members in attendance wish to change the voting method for this year. Motion to change voting method by Greg and second Doug. Motion passes. Motion to elect the board members by acclimation first by Dave and second by Bob. Motion passes.
5. Election is complete. 2024 Board as follows:
 - a) President – Paul McGuire
 - b) Vice President – Nick Balazs
 - c) Treasurer – Ryan Mallet
 - d) Secretary – Laura Hall
 - e) GT Chair - Great Taste Steering – Doug Randall
 - f) At Large Directors
 - (1) Justin Kuehn
 - (2) Fred Yingling
 - (3) Greg Tatusko (automatic return)
 - (4) Gary Lockwood (automatic return)

VI. Announcements

- A.** Badger Brew Off is this Saturday
- B.** Free hops available in the back of the room.
- C.** Anyone who is interested in learning about beer competitions and being a steward, please plan to come to the Brew Off on Saturday.
- D.** Wild and Sour beer discussion group. We will not be having our meeting this month as it will be tied in with the social. We have been aging 3 beers. Will have

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the same beer resting on different fruit. Our first beer might be ready by November or December.

- E.** If you are not able to commit to the whole day of Badger Brew Off, you can come to just one of the sessions, which start at 9am, 11am, and 1pm.
- F.** Round of applause for Colin and all the beer he carries around for us.
- G.** Laura Hall is asking for someone to take over duties hosting a monthly homebrew share. Will send out an email with more information. Round of applause for Laura keeping it up thus far.

VII. Adjournment.

- A.** Motion to adjourn by Doug. Second by Nick. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM