

MHTG Business Meeting Minutes

November 2024

I. Call to order at 8:37 by Paul McGuire, President

II. Approval of minutes – Submitted by Laura Hall

A. Motion by Brian, second by Tom. Motion passes

III. Officer Reports

A. President – Paul McGuire

- i. Thank you all for being here.
- ii. Thank you to all who brought snacks, beers, and beer from our reserve

B. Vice President – Nick Balazs

- i. Call for any new members in attendance. None made themselves known.
- ii. We have 330 members in the club.
- iii. There are approximately 33 members at the meeting tonight.
- iv. 3 beers on our tap system: Bryan A's Dry Ceyser, Fab's Oktoberfest with Altbier Yeast, and a commercial beer from Hofbrauhaus. Ryan Mallet also brought his homebrewed black IPA.

C. Treasurer – Ryan Mallet

- i. Tax filing is done for 2023. We did not have to pay tax on advertising income this year. There were no penalties. All giving checks have been cut and gone out (we increased our giving from \$30,000 to this year's total of \$35,000). We should end up with 40-45k net income for the year.

D. Secretary – Laura Hall

- i. Please remember to send any items you would like on the club agenda to secretary@mhtg.org. One member asked for examples of agenda items, and this was clarified to mean any voting business or announcements. If unsure whether the item is more appropriate for Board or Business Meeting, the secretary or another board member can assist you.

E. GT Chair – Great Taste Steering – Doug Randall

- i. The 2025 Fest budget has been submitted. Already working on the brewers lottery.

F. At Large Directors

- i. No report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Cider and Mead

- i. Second apple pressing was held on October 19th. 30 bushels were pressed. There were 2 or 3 new members present.

B. Club Space/ Facilities

- i. Have not met in a couple of months. Will get a meeting set up for hopefully November. Working on 1 barrel system and met with Nick last week about needed pieces. Great Taste t-shirt display has been worked on.

C. Competition

- i. Badger Brew Off is this Saturday at Starkweather Brewing Company.
- ii. Will start planning for the first quarter of next year.

D. Education

i. November

13th Malt House

19th (please note this is a Tuesday!) Working Draft Brewing Lagers 8-10. 1-hour tour and Q&A presentation including their Czech pour system

27th Alchemy informal social

E. Finance

- i. Met tonight to finalize the budget for 2025. It will be presented to the Board of Directors next week and then presented to the membership at our December Business Meeting.
- ii. Clarification of our Great Taste self-insurance, which currently includes \$140,000 in our accounts. Our insurance company does not offer this coverage. More info will be included in the budget presented next month.

F. Giving

- i. All checks have been cut.
- ii. Please start thinking about which organizations you want to see for next year.

- iii. \$35,000 budgeted again next year.

G. Membership

- i. Has not met since the last meeting. We still have a couple of pending projects from the BOD.

H. Technology and Social Media

- i. The website went offline due to a hosting failure on October 17th. Everything is back online.

V. Business

A. 2025 Board of Director Nominees

- i. Review of current nominations
 - a) President
Paul McGuire - Accepted
 - b) Vice-President
Greg Tatusko – Accepted
Fred Yingling - Accepted
Nick Balazs - Declined
Brian Phillips - Declined
 - c) Secretary
Laura Hall - Accepted
Shanna Lockwood - Pending (declined at meeting)
 - d) Treasurer
Ryan Mallet - Accepted
Bob Harvey - Declined
 - e) Great Taste Chair
Doug Randall - Accepted
 - f) 2-Year At-Large
Bryan Antoniuk - Accepted
Gary Lockwood - Accepted
Ryan Schmandt - Accepted
Mike Vandersnick - Accepted

Leah Wicander - Accepted

Shanna Lockwood – Pending (declined at meeting)

Jeremy Bergener - Declined

Sam Jackson - Declined

Mark Lyon - Declined

Brian Phillips - Declined

Nicole Riedel - Declined

Maddy Scott - Declined

Greg Tatusko - Declined

- ii. New nominations from the floor: Tony Ketterer (declined)
- iii. Clarification of bylaws. Present members voted that all members still vote for two Board of Directors rather than changing to three. .
- iv. Motion to close nominations by Nick, second by Greg. Motion passes. Election will start in the next week. Everyone will receive an email with a unique link. Voting will close before the next Business Meeting on December 4th.
 - a) Candidates for the 2025 Board of Directors
 - President: Paul McGuire
 - Vice President: Fred Yingling and Greg Tatusko
 - Secretary: Laura Hall
 - Treasurer: Ryan Mallet
 - Great Taste Chair: Doug Randall
 - Board of Directors (vote for two): Bryan Antoniuk, Gary Lockwood, Ryan Schmandt, Mike Vandernick, Leah Wicander
- v. Candidate Statements from the floor. Paul McGuire made a statement.

VI. Announcements

- A. Our holiday party will be on January 4th.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn by Nick, second by Greg. Motion Passes.

Wednesday, November 6th, 2024

Members are encouraged to attend business meetings, bring their ideas to the board, and participate in our various committees. The club functions at its best when members are active. More information and our club calendar can be found at MHTG.org.