

MHTG Board Meeting Minutes

January 2025

I. Call to order: at 7:07 by Paul McGuire, President

Board members present

A. Paul McGuire, Greg Tatusko, Doug Randall, Ryan Mallet, Laura Hall, Gary Lockwood, Fred Yingling, Justin Kuehn, Ryan Schmandt

II. Approval of November minutes: approved by the board via email, as submitted by Laura Hall

III. Officer Reports

A. President – Paul McGuire

- i. Welcome Ryan, our new Board Member. Explanation of At-Large duties.
- ii. Board dinner is next week for the 2024 board.
- iii. Thank you to everyone on the board who helped at the Holiday Party.

B. Vice President – Greg Tatusko

- i. 337 members.

C. Treasurer - Finance Committee– Ryan Mallet

- i. Preliminary 2024 financial numbers: \$34,000 net income, \$629,000 total from all income streams, \$596,000 from Great Taste. Donations to Second Harvest from Holiday Party totaled \$890.

D. Secretary – Laura Hall

- i. Review of how to send agenda items – secretary@mhtg.org.

E. GT Chair – Great Taste Steering – Doug Randall

- i. Steering last met in December but will meet later in January. Working on staffing changes to fill in Team Leads where needed.

F. At Large Directors

- i. No report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Cider and Mead

- i. Tentatively planning for a meeting later in January.

B. Club Space/ Facilities

- i. HLT stand, and other items for the one-barrel system have been acquired. Fan is mounted.

C. Competition

- i. Planning to meet sometime this month.
- ii. Dark Beers in February, March Mashness in March
- iii. Homebrewer and Judge of the Year email went out today. Will announce in February or March.

D. Education

- i. 1/15 Bock Tasting, 1/22 Youngblood Northstreet, 1/29 Old Sugar, Feb Education Night is Cookies and Beer pairing with Vicki Cookies.

E. Giving

- i. No report.

F. Membership

- i. No report.

G. Technology and Social Media

- i. No report.

V. Business

A. Committee liaisons for 2025.

- i. Cider and Mead - Paul
- ii. Club Space – Ryan
- iii. Competition – Gary
- iv. Education - Laura
- v. Finance - Ryan
- vi. Steering - Doug
- vii. Giving – Justin
- viii. Membership – Greg
- ix. Technology - Fred

- B. Club member Duane B. would like the board to consider renting a bus for club members attending the Central Waters Anniversary Party on January 25th. Rationale is so many club members go and it'd be awesome not to have to worry about transportation or

lodging. Discussion occurred. Education committee to discuss if they would like it in their budget.

C. Grain Program usage 2024.

- i. 34 different people used the program for 2024.
 - a) Mai Fest 2 batches
 - b) Great Taste Friday 10 batches
 - c) Oktoberfest 1 batch
 - d) Wine and Hop Shop 57 orders
 - e) Farmhouse Brewing 20 orders
- ii. Discussion on increasing grain order thresholds by 50%. Motion by Paul that members now be able to select up to 15 pounds of grain in a 5 gallon batch, and 30 for a 20 gallon batch, second by Justin. Motion passes.
- iii. Membership liaison to set out reminder email about club benefits.

D. Membership and dues for Madison Craft Beverage Makers Association - We have been sending a liaison to this group's monthly meetings. Discussion held that ongoing participation may spread our mission statement and build relationships with local beverage makers. They are now requesting dues of \$150 per year. Motion by Doug that MHTG purchases a membership to Madison Craft Beverage Makers Association, second by Justin. Participation will be open to membership, and more information will be shared at Business Meeting on how to attend these meetings. Motion passes.

E. Member Gary L. requesting use club space for Flannel Fest judging. Board member Gary will be present.. Motion from Greg that Flannel Fest homebrew judging to occur in the club space on Feb 16, second by Ryan. Motion passes.

VI. Announcements

- A. 2024 Board is meeting for dinner next week at Tornado. Drinks are at 6pm.
- B. Club merch is on the way. Justin Kuehn is still working on this project and will have updates for members soon.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn by Ryan, second by Doug. Motion Passes. Adjourned 8:16 pm.