

MHTG Business Meeting Minutes

October 2025

I. Call to order at 8:41 by Paul McGuire, President

II. Approval of minutes – Submitted by Laura Hall

A. Motion by Doug R., second by Justin K.. Motion passes

III. Officer Reports

A. President – Paul McGuire

- i. Thank you to Page B. for setting up the tap system tonight. Thank you to Greg Y for bringing the food.

B. Vice President – Greg Tatusko

- i. We have 344 members total. 38 here tonight.
- ii. Call for new members. David Cutter introduced himself. David loves Guinness and other stouts.
- iii. Who brought homebrew tonight? Dylan S. brought a mango cider, with no apples. Bryan A. brought a pivo grodziski. Fred Y. hefeweizen. Page B. doppelbock. Jordan D. brut ipa with peaches.

C. Treasurer – Ryan Mallet

- i. We still have festival related expenses to take care of.

D. Secretary – Laura Hall

- i. Tonight we will be asking for BOD nominations. Please go slow so the full name can be recorded.

E. Great Taste Chair – Great Taste Steering – Doug Randall

- i. We are making adjustments to staffing, as we do each year. We were profitable as a festival.
- ii. We have our club trip coming up in November. There is a link at the top of the website to sign up.
- iii. We have had brew gear donated to the club. Some has been claimed, but there is a carboy in the back of the room.

F. At Large Directors

- i. No report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Cider and Mead

- i. Apfelfest on September 13th. About 3 dozen folks were in attendance and pressed about 60 dozen bushels of apples.
- ii. Our technical pressing will be October 26th. Club members still have a chance to buy apples, which will be announced.
- iii. Page B has 30 gallons of cider that he will pitch on 6 different yeasts for an upcoming education night on November 19th.

B. Club Space/ Facilities

- i. Meeting held on 9/18. Mostly small maintenance items. Our water heater is working intermittently.
- ii. Our next meeting is November 3rd at 7pm at the club space.

C. Competition

- i. We held our historical beer competition, and the winner was Dan Deveney with his Kentucky Common. We tasted several styles of historical beers as part of our education night.
- ii. Badger Brew-Off judging will take place November 8th. We are hoping for 200 entries. Judging will be hosted at Delta Beer Lab and they are also a drop-off site. If you are looking at becoming a judge, you might consider being a steward. The stewards and have an opportunity to be next to the judges and learn the process. Breakfast and lunch will be provided, and there will also be a raffle.

D. Education

- i. The committee will change its name to Education and Social Committee.
- ii. Dec 3rd is our next meeting, and we will elect a new chair.
- iii. Calendar
 - a) October
 - 8th Malt House,
 - 15th carbonation and draft systems

- 22nd Vintage Sauk
- 29th Aftershock,

b) November

- 12th Malt House
- 19th yeast,

c) Future: Jan maple, 28th cask and ale. Talking about a distillery bus trip in April.

E. Finance

- Budgets will be due soon. Chairs have been asked if they would like a change to last year's budget.
- Team Lead budgets for Great Taste is a separate issue, and should be submitted to the chair.
- \$524,000 income from Great Taste. Expenses were \$418,200. \$116,000 profit but we do still have expenses so this number will decrease. In our assets we have \$4,000 checking, \$215k money market, and \$160k in cds. Accounts receiving \$395,000 in the bank.

F. Giving

- We have \$35,000 earmarked for Giving this year. Thank to you to the club for putting in so many great requests. Big thanks to New Glarus brewing for giving us back their stipend with the recommendation that it be used for Giving.
- Start thinking of requests for next year.

G. Membership

- We met virtually on September 9th. We discussed the possibility of certificates for years of services, which was tabled. Discussion on incentive of t-shirts for certain positions, and will ask Quartermaster for options.
- Peter Steinberg motion to be honored on the Hall of Fame plaque, and it has been updated. Toast for Peter!

H. Technology and Social Media

- Our committee met last Monday and is working on ways to improve the website so it is more user friendly.
- We elected a new chair, which is Brandi Camron.

V. Business

- A. 2026 Board of Directors Nominations. Nominations are open and will close at our Business Meeting in November. Please send nominations to nominations@mhtg.org.
- B. List of current incumbents named.
 - i. President – Paul Maguire
 - ii. Vice-President – Greg Tatusko
 - iii. Secretary – Laura Hall
 - iv. Treasurer – Ryan Mallet
 - v. Great Taste Chair – Doug Randall
 - vi. 2-Year At Large – Gary Lockwood and Ryan Schmandt will return for their second year
- C. Nominations for 2026 BOD, received by either email and nominated on the floor tonight:
 - i. President – Lee Jones (accepted), Colin Crowley, Paul Maguire.
 - ii. Vice-President – Justin Kuehn, Fred Yingling
 - iii. Secretary – Laura Hall
 - iv. Treasurer –
 - v. Great Taste Chair – Doug Randall (accepted)
 - vi. 2-Year At Large – Dylan Cutter Smith 9 (accepts), Peter Steinberg, Bryan Antoniuk
 - vii. Note: the following have opted out of any position: Tom Machaj, Brian Phillips, Greg Younkin

VI. Announcements

- A. Our club trip is coming up. Bob Paolino is seeking opinions from attendees on whether they would like to prioritize less expensive hotels with a farther walk to downtown, vs more expensive hotels in a more walkable neighborhood.
- B. We have a number of members who have tried to unsubscribe from our club email list, but it will not work if you are still a member as it refreshes multiple times per day. Discussion on options for a different service that will let people unsubscribe. Member discussion regarding using different email account, less clutter in email, etc.
- C. Peter S brought some spirits to taste.

VII. Adjournment 9:32pm

- A. Motion to adjourn by Nick B, second by Lee J. Motion Passes.

Wednesday, October 1st, 2025

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.