

South Puget Sound Woodturners

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President John Howard at 7:03pm at his residence.

A quorum was established by the following members present:

John Howard, President; David Best, Vice-President; Fred Abeles, Secretary; Dan Dickey, Treasurer; Terry Broberg, Membership; Pat McCart, Industry Coordinator; Ken Light, Sales; Leah Young, Librarian; Jeff Marshall, Member-at-Large; AlisaBeth Nash, Member-at-Large.

Minutes from Last Meeting – A motion was made by Pat McCart and seconded by Fred Abeles to accept the minutes as published by Fred Abeles. The motion carried unanimously.

General Meeting Discussion – The last meeting was the mini-symposium and included the following demonstrators;

Dan Stromstad, Easy bowl with a vacuum chuck; Michael Poirier and Brad Husby, Segmentation with the wedgie sled; Pat McCart, Sharpening; Ken and Polly Light, Sales; Jimmie Allen; Turned Boxes; John Howard, AAW Symposium Pre-Registration; Carol Zandel, Miniature turnings; Jeff Marshall, tops.

The symposium was well attended, lots of demonstrators and some very good information was passed out.

Sawdust Session – 2 new people attended who had never turned before and were very enthusiastic. There were 13 people in attendance and it went until 1:30.

AAW Symposium – John has 24 people signed up through the club and that qualifies our club for the member discounted price of \$300 instead of the full price of \$325. Additional members can qualify for the discounted price by working directly with the AAW. They want members to volunteer as helpers for the student program as well as assistants for the individual demonstrators.

Membership – There are currently 156 paid members including 5 that signed up at the last general meeting. There was some discussion on a prorated fee for new members only if they join mid-year.

Treasurer – Dan Dickey presented his report in writing and is included with these minutes.

Future Programs – Dave Best will demonstrate the “Hook” tool for the April meeting and he will demonstrate Trent Bosch’s hollowing tools with the “Visualizer” monitoring system for the May meeting. Dan Ackerman will demonstrate his method for turning lidded boxes for the June Meeting and include a demonstration of the tools he has made for his boxes.

There was some discussion on bringing in a “Big Name” demonstrator and the costs involved. We talked about a possible venue for such a demonstration and how much we would have to charge attendees.

A discussion was held on compensation for club members who do demonstrations. It was decided to offer a free membership for subsequent year as compensation. Motion by Ken Light, 2nd by Fred Abeles to compensate subsequent year's membership if they choose not to be paid otherwise. The motion carried unanimously. This is to be discussed at a future general meeting.

Newsletter – The deadline for newsletter material will be April 5th.

Webmaster – Tim Spaulding was not present but he emailed his report to the board and it is included with these minutes.

Sales – Ken Light said that the threaded inserts that he bought from Tacoma Screw were repackaged in bags of 10 and were available for \$5.00/bag. He sold 280 at the last meeting. He bought 1000 each for a cost of \$27.95 and they ended up being the stronger steel ones. Ken is still trying to find a source for CA glue. He mentioned the name of Bob Smith as a possible source. The glue needs to be refrigerated or frozen to make it last longer. He said Mr. Smith has epoxy also. The price depends on quantity but he mentioned a 30% discount for the club. Ken recommends an order of 48 units of 2 oz. bottles of CA. We can add some epoxy after some research. Ken will check it out before ordering. System 3 in Auburn was mentioned also as a supplier of epoxy.

New Business – Spring cleaning at Nancy Sweazey's is usually held in the May-June time frame. Pat and John will work with Nancy and determine what needs to be done including some gutter cleaning.

Reactivating Mentor Program – John asked for a member of the Executive Board to take the reigns and try to find people that would make a good teacher as well as being a good turner. People need to self-identify their capabilities and guide them to become good teachers. AlisaBeth volunteered to take it on and get the program started.

Other Business – Member Name Tags – Terry Broberg said he wouldn't mind taking on this project.

Ken Light asked about the Velcro sandpaper that he mentioned at the last meeting and it was indicated that we would be willing to try it.

Pat McCart said that he will be retiring in one month and he was congratulated by all.

Librarian – Leah has been getting a handle on the library materials. It was suggested that the information on the web site be consolidated instead of having it spread all over the place.

Adjournment – Terry Broberg moved and Pat McCart seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Fred Abeles, Secretary

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Board of Directors Meeting Sign-In Sheet

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Name	Title
1) Jeff Marshall	Member at large
2) Fred Abeler	Secretary
3) Elisabeth Nash	At Large
4) Terry Broberg	Membership
5) John Howard	Pres.
6) Dan Dickey	TREASURER
7) Pat McEart	I/Coord.
8) Jez Light	Sats
9) David Best	V.P.
10) Leah Young	Librarian
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TREASURER REPORT - 3/27/18

TRANSACTIONS - YEAR TO DATE: 1/1/2018 THROUGH 3/27/2018

BEGINNING BALANCE	1/1/2018	\$	10,268.16
INCOME		\$	2,752.73
EXPENSE		\$	(3,711.97)
BALANCE AS OF	3/27/2018	\$	9,308.92

TRANSACTIONS - MARCH 2018

INCOME	\$	232.19
EXPENSE	\$	(421.97)
NET TOTAL	\$	(189.78)

Notes for March:

Deposits -	Membership	\$	70.00
	Store Sales	\$	162.19
Expenses -	Club Promotion	\$	(44.02)
	Store Supplies	\$	(295.95)
	US Postal Service	\$	(82.00)

Budget expenses for 2018:	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due</u>	
City of Fife, Facility Rental	\$2,940.00	January	PAID
Corporate Filing with State	\$10.00	January	PAID
Post Office Box Rental	\$82.00	March	PAID
Insurance	\$425.00	May	
Trailer Tabs	\$42.75	August	

For the SPSW Board,

Dan Dickey
Treasurer

Treasurer's Report - Transactions - 3-27-18
 2/28/2018 through 3/27/2018

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
BALANCE 2/27/2018					9,498.70
3/16/2018	1128	Don Westergard	Reimbursement	Club Promotion	-44.02
3/19/2018		Direct Deposit, Square In...		Store Sales	18.19
3/20/2018	1129	Ken Light	Reimbursement	Store Supplies	-295.95
3/27/2018	DE...	Deposit Branch 0108 ...	Deposit	--Split--	214.00
3/27/2018	1130	US Postal Service	Box Rental	Business	-82.00
2/28/2018 - 3/27/2018					-189.78
BALANCE 3/27/2018					9,308.92
TOTAL INFLOWS					232.19
TOTAL OUTFLOWS					-421.97
NET TOTAL					-189.78

March 2018 SPSW Webmaster Report

This report is for the four weeks since the last report. There have been two new posts, the March newsletter, and the February board minutes.

There have been 616 (avg 22/day) made by 538 visitors. Of those 538 visitors, 93% of those are new. Of the 538 visitors, 107 (20%) continued to a second page, 68 (13%) to a third and 38 (7%) to a fourth. The highest daily visits was 35 on February 27th, the lowest was 12 on March 25th. 119 of the visits were on mobile devices (51 on iPhones) and 64 on tablets (52 on iPads). The average time spent on the site for returning visitors was 2:19, for new visitors was 53 seconds. There were 1,165 page views.

Of the 616 visits, 279 were direct (user typed in our URL or bookmarked), 208 were from Google, 44 were from Bing and 26 were from Pinterest.

The most popular browser is I.E. (31%), followed by Chrome (32%), Safari (17%) and Firefox (6%).

The most popular page is the home page, followed by the carving accident post and the tutorial on turning from wet to dry.

63% of this month's visitors are age 55 and older, while only 9% were 25 or younger. 85% are men. 6.9% are food and cooking enthusiasts, 6.8% are home and garden DIYers, and 6.1% are hobbies and outdoor enthusiasts. 32% have an interest in home improvement & garden.

There were visitors from 272 cities in 30 countries on 6 continents. The highest visits were from Boston (yet again) – 159 visits, Seattle – 28 visits and Tacoma – 10 visits.

There are now 270 non-members that have signed up to receive the monthly.

I am happy to take suggestions for content for the website. I don't mind doing some research, if necessary, based on the suggestion.

Our Facebook page has 75 likes and 72 follows.

Our Pinterest page has 464 daily impressions to 387 viewers. 3,478 viewers are from the U.S., 617 from the U.K. and 341 from Canada, eh! The most popular in the last month are John Beaver wave bowl pins.

Our Twitter account has 342 followers.

Social Media accounts:

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/South-Puget-Sound-Woodturners-173957185984457/>

Pinterest - <http://www.pinterest.com/spswoodturners/>

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/spswoodturners>

YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE8ZRLhj4kVG_n8QqBST6pw
