

# **South Puget Sound Woodturners**

## **Virtual Board of Directors Meeting**

**March 11, 2025**

**I. Call to Order** – President Kathy Garlick called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Present were the following board members: Kathy Garlick, President; Ed White, Vice President/Programs; Mark Gilbert, Secretary; Suzette Edwards, Newsletter; Tim Spaulding, Webmaster; John Howard, Store Sales; Ethan Green Industry Coordinator; Kent Horton, AAW Liaison; Ramon Lyn, AV/Zoom Technology; Doug Reynolds, Wood Rats; Jim Higgins, At Large.

**II. Determination of Quorum (at least eight BOD members present) – 11**

**III. Approval of previous Board Minutes from February 11, 2025** – The minutes from the last board meeting (02/11) were published by Secretary Mark Gilbert. A correction is required on the minutes for the February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. The section for Director At Large – Pat McCart identified people helping with the SPSW Trailer in Pat's absence and mistakenly identified Dave Best. This correct person referenced is Dave Peters. This correction was distributed by Minutes revision "R1" on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Motion by John Howard, seconded by Mark Gilbert to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion carried unanimously.

**IV. Future Demonstrations at General Membership Meetings –**

- a. Mar 20<sup>th</sup> Mini-Symposium
- b. Apr 17<sup>th</sup> Dave Best – up to 5 of the examples receiving votes by members
- c. May 15<sup>th</sup> Kevin Jesequel – Olla Forms
- d. May 16<sup>th</sup> Workshop - tbd
- e. June 12-15 AAW International Symposium – St. Paul Minnesota
- f. June 19<sup>th</sup> Ed White – Off Axis Turning
- g. July Annual Picnic/Auction at Almendinger location

**V. Executive Board Reports –**

President – Kathy Garlick,

- a. April President's Challenge: Hollow Form using your best techniques and finishes

b. Photo Roster format for our website: Tim – rather than having a document, links are in place for Kathy, Pat, and Tim to represent one approach. If we want it in a document format then the recommendation is PDF.

c. Future of One Way Lathe? (model 1018) Discussion explored the advantages and disadvantages as well as motivation for selling this lathe at this time. Currently there is more acceptance of the idea of selling the One Way lathe than there is certainty about how we should use any resulting funds. The subject of how any funds would be used is to be decided later based upon evolving clarity of what the Club needs and the interests of the membership. Ethan offered to clean, lubricate, prepare for sale, and ask One Way about availability of parts as well as taking steps to explore pricing. John moved that Ethan proceed with the preparation and sale of the One Way lathe. Ethan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

d. Earmarking funds for equipment/tools: Discussion was in context of budget planning and tracking given the uncertainties of the values and when membership dues and other funds are received throughout the year. Ideas raised for further consideration included 1) potential quarterly periods with partial year membership dues for new members only, 2) billing the membership for renewals annually, and 3) segregating a portion of the wood sales to contribute to an equipment/tools budget. Suzette will explore the use of the membership excel worksheet to seek means to efficiently approach an emailing for membership annual renewal notices. Tim is taking the action described below under the agenda item “Old Business”.

e. Future workshops? Strategic Planning: no discussion today

Vice President – Ed White,

a. Mini Symposium: The scheduled presentations and services were reviewed. Ed will conduct a Club Engagement survey during the Symposium. Also encouraging people to bring any AAW magazines that are no longer needed so that newer turners can take these to foster their interests in woodturning.

b. David Best coordination for April demonstration: All is on track

Secretary – Mark Gilbert, nothing to report

Treasurer – Pam Parson, Not here today but Kathy relayed that the Treasurer’s Report is planned to distribute in a couple days.

## **VI. Directors Reports –**

Newsletter – Suzette Edwards, nothing raised.

Webmaster & Social Media – Tim Spaulding, nothing raised

Store Sales – John Howard, As included in the Newsletter the Store will be offering a \$4 rebate on the Anchorseal for people providing cans. Ethan has found a source of less expensive cans so we'll explore this.

AAW Liaison – Kent Horton, received an email from Dale Larson – Cascade Woodturners is seeking clubs that would be interested in sharing the cost of having a French woodturner – Yann Mmot – do demonstrations and workshops in October to November 2025.

We do not yet have enough requests for an SPSW Club discount to the Oregon Woodturning Symposium to arrange a discount.

AV Coordinator & Zoom Tech – Ramon Lyn, Replacing a 50 foot HDMI cable that was damaged when someone rolled over it with something heavy. Everyone is encouraged to be cautious to avoid this problem.

Mentorship – Michael Poirier, Michael was not here but Ethan Green spoke on his behalf. There were 11 people at a Sawdust Session where people held a lot of discussion and a little turning and a little teaching. Ethan and Mike discussed setting up a similar forum at the other end of the county. The combination of shop space combined with available parking presents a common challenge but another location across “the bridge” offers both shop space and parking with the concern about attendance based on the requirement to travel that far. The discussion included the possibility of announcing the availability of this second Sawdust Session forum and evaluating viability based upon results. The host would be Chuck Burke. Ethan will revisit this idea with Chuck and explore developing the forum.

Industry Coordinator – Ethan Green,

a. Empty Bowls – The event went extremely well. There were about 200 pieces available and only 30 did not sell. Typical selling prices per bowl ranged from \$15 to \$65. The bowls priced from \$40 - \$65 were sold within 45 minutes. We don't have a sale total value as yet. We're going to contact the administrator of the Empty Bowls event in Gig Harbor so that she can come to our October meeting to address our Club.

b. Anything else? Want to contact businesses that have been supporting us and find out what they need from us. Discussion included the opportunities for listings in the SPSW Newsletter and potential for links on the SPSW website.

Wood Rats – Doug Reynolds, We are doing well for wood supply toward the summer Auction. We will bring several species of wood to sell at the March meeting where Devin Garlick will attend to the wood sales while Doug is providing the Chucks presentation.

Director At Large – Jim Higgins, No picture taking this month.

## **VII. Monthly Meeting Discussion –**

Demonstrator – Finishes: The general evaluation of this presentation was Good and that he covered a lot of material.

## **VIII. Old Business –**

- A. Banking and Clover vs Square – Tim will look into the possibility of setting up memberships as “subscriptions” under Square with the potential to have this system send membership renewal notices if desired. Square appears to have no monthly fees or fixed costs for subscriptions.

## **IX. New Business – nothing raised**

## **X. Good of the Order – nothing raised**

**XI. Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 pm by John Howard, seconded by Ramon Lyn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Mark Gilbert, Secretary

South Puget Sound Woodturners  
**Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**  
(Virtual Meeting, March 11, 2025)

I. Call to Order

II. Determination of Quorum (at least 8 BOD members present)

III. Approval of Minutes from February 11, 2024

- A. Any additions, corrections or deletions?
- B. Motion to accept?

IV. Future Demonstrations at General Membership Meetings

March: Mini Symposium

April: David Best

V. Executive Board

A. President: Kathy Garlick –

- a. April President's Challenge: Hollow Form
- b. Photo Roster format
- c. Future of One Way Lathe?
- d. Earmarking funds for equipment/tools
- e. Future workshops? Strategic Planning....

B. Vice President: Ed White

- a. Banking presentation (money market, clover) with Pam
- b. Mini Symposium
- c. David Best

C. Secretary: Mark Gilbert

D. Treasurer: Pam Parson

- a. Treasurer's Report: None to report. No new items.

VI. Board of Directors

- A. Membership - Terry Broberg not at club meeting in March. Need help with membership table.
- B. Newsletter - Suzette Edwards
- C. Webmaster/Social Media - Tim Spaulding; Square Reporting JotForm
- D. Store Sales – John Howard
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- E. Director-at-Large: AAW Liaison – Kent Horton
- F. Director-at-Large: AV Coordinator – Ramon Lyn
- G. Director-at-Large: Mentoring – Michael Poirer
- H. Director-at-Large: Industry Coordinator & Outreach Coordinator – Ethan Green
  - a. Empty Bowls
  - b. Anything else?
- I. Director-at-Large: Wood Rat – Doug Reynolds
  - a. Harvests this year
- J. Director-at-Large: Pat McCart (vacation)
- K. Director-at-Large: Jim Higgins – Photographer (vacation)

VII. Monthly Meeting Discussion

- A. "Hot Wash" – Finishes

#### VIII. Old Business

##### A. Banking and Clover vs. Square

#### XI. New Business Anything I may have forgotten?

- Good of the Order?
- Adjournment