

Agenda

CBA Board Meeting

July 2008
Oakland California

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President Herb Upham.

Attendance: Board Members present: Herb Upham, John Crandall, Julie Henry, Lowell Chaput, Jenlynn Laughlin, Paul Quyle, Eden Sanders, and Dave Vogel.

Comments from members:

Dave Vogel suggested that we look at teleconferencing future meetings, especially for members who have a distance to travel.

Shawn Lovell announced that she is starting a Tree Stump tradition for California Blacksmiths. She will be maintaining a tree stump for members to decorate with their nails.

Approval of agenda: Jenlynn Laughlin moved, Eden Sanders Seconded, Agenda Approved.

Approval of minutes: Jenlynn Laughlin moved, Lowell Chaput seconded, Last meeting's minutes approved.

Treasurer's report: Julie Henry thanked Lowell Chaput for his continued support. She reported that based on the balance sheet the CBA is doing fine and according to the Expense Summary, the biggest expense as well as the biggest source of income. She discussed profit and loss by class and presented a summary comparing the last spring conference to this year.

Correspondence: Pat Laughlin presented several letters she received. The issues discussed were: student and senior discounts, equipment sales to be listed in the magazine and the need for a new credit card machine. Herb Upham also announced that the CBA has purchased some 75 classic old world anvils which will be available to CBA members for \$653.00 each.

Committee reports:

Membership: Merel Bashor was not present to present his report. Topic of Student, Senior and Publication Memberships was brought up so Herb Upham made a note of these issues.

Current membership is around 760

Publication / Web: We have no brochure, which is why we have a web presence. Eden Sanders requested we consider one. Daniel, volunteered to produce one.

Paul Quyle reported that the magazine is doing ok. Last minute charges do play havoc with planning.

Library: Whitney Potter was not present to give a report about either the Library or the web page.

Dave noted that the Board of Director's meetings are not posted on the website, Herb Upham made note.

Discussion regarding a chat room presence

Grants: The grants committee reported that the reform guidelines will be published in the magazine. One change was made regarding the response to the initial request. Grant Request from Andrew Kite. Dan Dole moved that this request be approved, Seconded by Joe Koches. Approved.

Education: Reported that schedule for the next year is being firmed. 3 locations for instructor Trainings. Pomfret and Nelson for winter demo series.

Election: Merle Bashor not present. He will be at the next meeting to report.

Conference 2008: Dave Vogel reported that he was glad that it is behind him. He presented his spreadsheet. It was a success, we made 17,000 dollars.

Conference 2009: There has had one meeting and another is scheduled. The demonstrator list is full. The site will be at the Petaluma Fairgrounds. A final budget will be presented at the next meeting.

Conference 2010: Joe has formed the publicity committee. The theme will be about CBA master smiths.

Finance: George O'Gorman was not present.

Safety: George O'Gorman was not present.

Old Business

- A. Decals Report - there was nothing to report.
- B. Grant Committee Job Description - was read by Herb Upham. After discussion Paul Quyle moved that the job description be approved. Pat Laughlin seconded. It was approved.
- C. Report on Sculpture - this issue is still not resolved. Joe Koches will confer with an attorney (Jimmy Fisher's friend) to review our options and draw up a letter addressing this issue. Joe Koches has been tasked with bringing this issue to a close.
- D. Kinks Book. After discussion Dave Vogel moved that the BOD approve \$500.00 to be used to develop and organize the information from past magazines. John Crandall seconded. The expenditure was approved.

New Business: Herb Upham announced Pat Laughlin's retirement. Herb Upham appointed John Crandall. He thanked Pat for her contribution to CBA's current success.

Dave Nurot reported on the progress for Oktoberfest. He requested additional seed money. Julie Henry reported that a budget is required before any payments are made. Jenlynn Laughlin moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Lowell Chaput seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00p.m..

Respectfully Submitted

John Crandall

Secretary

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