

Minutes
CBA Board Meeting
Saturday, October 2, 2010
Fritz's Place, Cazadero, CA

1. Attendance-

CBA Board of Directors: Lowell Chaput, Russell "MORT" Mortensen, Julie Henry, George Dunajski, Joe Koches, John McLellen, Herb Upham,
Committee Members: Josh Bulert, Dennis Dusek, Anne Monroe, Kirk McNeill, Georg O'Gorman
CBA Members: Mario Baggiolini, Michael Bondi, Paul Boulay

2. Approval of agenda

Lowell C presented the agenda for the meeting with no additions

3. Approval of minutes 7/17/10

Mort distributed copies of the minutes which were moved to approve by Herb U and seconded by Joe K.
Vote to approve passed unanimously

4. Treasurer's report

Julie H presented a 5 page report and stated there has not been much activity since the last meeting. Dues continue to come in and Magazine expenses continue to go out. An estimated \$1500.00 profit from this Oktoberfest was mentioned. The group discussed the need for more income.

✓* Herb U moved to increase dues by \$10.00 for membership year 2011 with a planned increase of \$5.00 (possibly \$10.00) for membership year 2012, making this as visible as possible. Seconded by Joe K
Vote to increase, passed unanimously.

Herb U moved to accept the Treasurers Report as reported subject to audit.
Seconded by John McL. Vote to accept passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

5. 2010 Spring Conference

Joe K admitted being a poor leader but, thru the help of CBA members, we pulled it off. Registration went smooth with a fantastic job done by Herb U and Shirley Upham, but they needed more help. Joe's comments on the demonstrators: Jay (Burnham-Kidwell) did an outstanding job as usual. Peter (Fels)...was absolutely wonderful. Dorothy (Stiegler) and the crew put together one helluva birdbath. Paval (Tasovsky) did a great job on his sculpture Toby (Hickman) "the sleeper" 45-50 people participated with no dead time. They are still talking about it. Jack DaSilva's copper work..., there was your opportunity (to watch a master) Mark (Aspery), Darrel (Nelson), (Gerald) Boggs were outstanding, backed up by the Education Committee. Better than ABANA. A super job by the Education Committee was a real highlight. Gallery: Eden (Sanders) stepped in and did a nice/great job. What went wrong? Made the mistake of not letting the general public maybe up to \$4000.00 left on the table (in lost income). T-shirts were wrong color (lime green), Poor weather, Ferndale project, the Bocce Ball Arbor for the park was not advertised well. Consider charging \$5.00 per public visitor. With help from a successful auction and Iron in the Hat the conference was about \$14,000.00 in the black. Herb U commented on the need for more internal publicity and marketing needed to promote conferences, a reoccurring problem. Joe K is very proud of the event.

6. 2011 Spring Conference

Dave Vogel absent, no report
Julie H and Dave V are working on the conference budget.

7. Membership

Lance Jensen absent, no report
Mort said we have 678 members and appreciated that Lance Jensen has been doing a great job helping him out with membership and tracking addresses. Many on-line memberships do not follow thru and send in the application. Lance has many ideas about promoting new memberships by contacting schools, colleges, and welding shons

8. Publication

Eden Sanders absent, no report

9. Magazine

Eden Sanders absent, no report

Lowell C said we are still looking for a new magazine editor.

What is cost?

10. Website

Julie H reported an estimated \$7000.00 to build an "administrative back end" to be used for registration for membership and events with about \$70.00 per month to maintain it. And, as Treasurer, she would not recommend it. She suggested upgrading from PayPal to PayPal Premier to help with registration for events. Discussion of the fees charged by a service to process the transaction. Herb U suggested using a single service such as PayPal and thanked Stu Henry for putting the CBA Board documents on the website. Some Board members still have difficulty accessing this information. Stu H is available for assistance via phone or e-mail.

11. Library

Whitney Potter absent, no report

12. Archives

Paul Quyle absent, no report

Julie H said the CDs with past magazines continue to come in and are being added to the website.

13. Grants Committee

Dan D absent. Kirk McN reported they will look at the on-line roster for current membership of a grant applicant. Discussion of Business membership co-workers or family members being eligible for grants and event attendance. Also discussed but no action taken: To be eligible for a CBA grant or scholarship, individual must be current paid active individual member. Herb U motioned that Business membership have the opportunity to attend Spring Conference and Oktoberfest excluding workshops. Georg O'G seconded. Vote passed unanimously.

* Herb U proposed to the membership committee to review ABANA's membership policy for attendance of events.

Herb has been done?

14. Education Committee

Josh B reported the recent Dick Fedder event had 11 attendees, and brought in \$60.00 in donations and 1 new member. John McL said he brought in 5 or 6 new members from his recent workshop. Committee is rewriting the instructor training manual. Anne M said the Jake Hill demonstration is being planned for January at Dorothy Steigler's. A workshop to be in Tonopah in November. Julie H suggested sending her pictures of events to be put on the website. Josh B spoke of his and Dennis D's attendance at the Mark Asperly gate making workshop and are instructing learned techniques at this Oktoberfest. Committee is considering a forge rebuilding workshop. Committee has been using recently purchased digital video camera. Curriculum updates are a #1 priority for the Education committee. Josh B spoke of the importance of having one point of contact for keeping records and volunteered to be such. Lowell C, as acting president, appointed Josh B as Education Chairman. The report concluded with a round of applause for the "fantastic job" being done by the Education committee.

15. Election Committee

Merle Bashor absent, no report

Mort said there was only one member, Mario Baggiolini, who is a candidate. Lowell C said Herb U has shown interest as well as Lance Jensen and Robert Jensen. Georg O'Gorman "threw his hat in". Julie H to follow up obtaining pictures and statements.

16. Finance Committee

Alan Drew absent

Mort read a spirited letter from Alan D with an explanation of how he and fellow committee member Lisa Guthrie would like to offer their services as the Finance Committee.

17. Safety Committee

Georg O'Gorman reported he still doesn't want to be included in the budget. Discussion of Dan Dole's hand injury that morning and the importance of having an emergency action plan at events and a way to identify qualified responders (yellow hat?). Georg will write guidelines for emergencies at our events with help from Joe K and Fritz Hagist.

18. Old Business:

No old business

19. New business:

- Approve CBA Job descriptions

Herb U spoke of the teleconference and challenged all to go to the website and print a copy of the job descriptions for the individual's binder. Herb U motioned to accept the job descriptions as found on the website knowing these to be a living document. John McL seconded. Vote to accept passed.

- Education Committee discuss chair position

See item 14 above

- Plan to update Policies and Procedures

Herb U found obsolete policy & procedure items on the website and purposed John McL to be the focal point to update Policies and Procedures.

-Magazine editor contract

Lowell C retracted item

-Administrative back-end to the website bid

See item 10 above

Non Agenda item

Michael Bondi read a letter from Darrel Nelson telling of the Western States Conference to be held the weekend of August 18 - 21, 2011 at Mt Hood in northern Oregon.. Michael B encouraged members to promote this event and attend. Herb U had been appointed as CBA contact. Herb is to have a plan available at the January CBA Board meeting. CBA is to host Western States Conference in 2013 in Placerville in lieu of Spring Conference.

20. Correspondence

Paul Boulay gave a gift certificate for a 1 year membership to ABANA as a thank you to the CBA for sponsoring Mark Aspery at the Memphis ABANA conference. The gift certificate is to be given to a CBA member who would like to be an ABANA member. Paul is looking for help in recruiting demonstrators for ABANA events. Discussion resolved the ABANA membership gift certificate should go into the Iron in the Hat that night.

21. Comments and questions

None

Herb U moved for adjournment John McL seconded

Vote passed. Lowell adjourned the meeting at 13:10.

Lunch followed and all continued participation at the Oktoberfest

Next Board of Directors meeting to be held at Alan Drew's shop in Marina

On January 8, 2011 at 11:00

Russell "MORT" Mortensen

Your CBA Secretary