

Agenda/Minutes
CBA Board Meeting Sept 29, 2017
O'fest

Board members

1. Herb Upham *
2. John McLellan *
3. Dave Carroll
4. Shawn Lovell *
5. Tom Owens *
6. Francis Leidinger
7. 8.Mike Mumford *
9. Jack da Silva *
10. Mark Kochan *
11. Paul Boulay *
12. Eric Chang *
13. Dan Perkins *

** Membership lapsed

***Indicates present**

Guests: Joe Koches, Will Perkins, Dennis Dusek, Dennis Murphy, Victoria Ritter, Bill Brazil

Board members not attending:

Dave Carroll
Francis Leidinger

AGENDA

1. Attendance – Herb Upham
 - a. Roll: Board Members (10) Guests (5)
2. Approval of Agenda – Herb Upham
Approved ...
3. Approval of Minutes – Herb Upham
 - a. Approved by e-mail Jul 27, 2017 by e-mail and posted on calsmith.org web site
4. President's Report

ANVILS. We have an opportunity to purchase several anvils for CBA education and at the same time lend our support to John McLellan who has certainly supported CBA equipment for many years.

There is a lot of preplanning that goes into making a sample high quality steel anvil.

John has worked with an overseas steel foundry to design and produce this sample anvil.

We are planning to have one here to review. It is a big investment but if we take on part of the expense by buying ten or more of the anvils we can help John keep his costs down and we can get in on a good deal.

They are planned to be about 175 lbs. and our cost has been estimated to be about \$700 each. (\$ +/- TBD)

The estimated cost once shipping, customs and related fees was stated to be \$1000 each rather than \$700. So add a line before the motion saying: "John McLellan stated that the cost will not be known exactly until they arrive but is estimated to be under \$1000 each."

I support a vote by the BOD to buy into this project. We should agree on the quantity now if we decide to make this purchase.

We would need a firm delivery date so we so we will have these anvils completed in time to prep them for Conference 2018.

Motion to purchase 10 anvils from John for not to exceed \$10,000, Paul Boulay moved, second by Dan Perkins, unanimously approved ... Anvils and stands need to be ready for SC2018

EQUIPMENT. John can update the BOD on production progress and show anvil sample.

GAS FORGES. I have a working model of a gas forge that we are planning to produce at a workshop for SC 2018.

It is based on the prototype shown at Weaverville 2017. It has been greatly simplified to meet CBA safety requirements.

We are planning to produce a number of them (TEN) for SC 2018, selling six or more to cover costs after the event.

Two to four would be enough for education to use as demonstrator models with further refinements.

An optional temp gage and auto pilot for low heat, gas safety relighting system are features that are being tested and refined.

I will continue to work with Education (Perkins) and Equipment (McLellen) till they are completed.

CONFERENCE TRAINING. I would like to support a workshop to train interested CBA members on how to put on a conference or hammer-in.

This would include promotion and planning. It is outlined as guideline on the website but more information is available and would be helpful.

Personal insight from past chairmen would be a valuable resource for future events.

DEMONSTRATORS. We could include an outline on what we should look for in future demonstrators.

We have had some excellent events with great demonstrations. Let's review our successes and try to replicate them.

If we could improve our attendance with better demo's and planning it might help even out our profits in the future.

Comment: have demonstrators use sound system Dennis and John to locate

PROMOTION. We need to promote our organization and build membership.

I have brought this up several times but have yet to hear about the progress by Paul and Dan.

Have we made any progress I am unaware of? Mailings, email blasts, other options?

Send list to Paul B and Dan P ... in January

EDUCATION. The Chairman has the opportunity to build Ed staff and redefining all positions. Northern, Central & Southern. **Still looking, and have the need to revisit BI BII BIII for consistency**

Mark Kochan

5. Treasurer's Report – Tom Owens
Treasurer's Report 9-30-2017

Needless to say, I'm feeling much better about our fiscal position at this time.

1. The second quarter we had \$29,535.66 in revenue and \$31591.94 in expenditures which resulted in a net loss of -\$2056.28. Revenue was largely from events and dues. Overall Balance sheet shows we have \$101,868.41 in assets. This is up \$7951.87 over last quarter.
2. We have final numbers from Spring Conference. I still have a little work to do on the numbers but we may have made around \$19,000 on the event.
3. Wayne's World was a success and made about \$1304.16 profit. I still have to go through his receipts as they are in the mail but it looks good.
4. In a side note. The IRS was trying to claim that we were late last filing. After about a year of dealing with them they have removed the penalties and even though they made the mistake the said it was our responsibility to make sure they did their work right, so to speak.

Thomas J. Owens
Treasurer

Committee Reports:

1. Spring Conference 2017, see financial report
2. O'fest discussion
181 registered and 11 children
3. Spring Conference 2018 April 12-14 – Dennis Dusek

Placerville 2018

This is where we are now in this process. There are some numbers that are rock solid and others that are a guess, but overall very solid. I must thank Paul and Tom for lots of help on this. Lot of questions were discussed and great input from Tom and Paul. I must say I have never received this much help before. It is much appreciated.

4. 2019 Spring Conference

Possible Grass Valley in lieu of Hard Rock, Dan Perkins and Dennis Murphy to make proposal

5. Membership – Currently CBA has 951 members and 690 that have not renewed ...

6. Magazine Editor - Mike Mumford

Editor Inputs for CBA Fall 2017 board meeting
9-22-17

1. **Magazine:** The Sept-Oct edition was mailed on schedule, Aug 20th.

Our backlog of articles is getting a bit short, so any help locating articles (especially how-to articles) will be appreciated.

The material for the Nov-Dec edition was forwarded for layout and production on Sept. 24th.

The UPSP filing was sent on Sept 25th.

I've received a bunch of demonstrator contact info for Spring Conference 2018 from Dennis Dusek. I'm beginning to get in touch with the demonstrators to get their info.

One topic that I'm working on slowly is to better integrate the magazine with the online website.

I am continuing to slowly convert our Editor Exchanges over to electronic exchange.

2. **Website:** There have been a lot of routine website updates and postings/corrections.

Updates to the website have been put on hold, including the Store page and the responsive-design work. We decided to hold up on the responsive design in order to research and explore the concept more.

Photos through Wayne's World have been posted on the home page. The magazines have been posted through Nov-Dec 2016.

"Herb Upham stated strong support for staying with Wild Apricot because of the membership and event processing functionality. He said these were doing very well for us. Tom Owens stated that the Wild Apricot renewal was due soon. The sense of the meeting was that he should go ahead and pay this. "

3. **Articles:** As always, I'm searching for more home-grown articles. (Every newsletter editor has this problem). Kindly help push people to create articles for us.

PLEASE: as always, do not assume that I hear about an event, class, or happening. I would much rather be told about something by many people than not know about it.

4. **Statistics:** The Sep-Oct edition totaled 934 copies over both mailings. We averaged 932 print copies (both runs) over the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

5. **Article reprints:** As of Sep 22, we have had 16 articles reprinted in other newsletters.

6. **Magazine Content**

6a. **Grant articles.** I've been in contact with Serene Silva. We're trying to get all her info completed by the end of Sept.

6b. **Instructor articles**

I think I'm behind on this. Particularly for the instructor certificates that were given out at Vista.

6c. **My challenge to the board continues: help me find articles!**

This doesn't mean you have to write: help me find writers/articles

The call for "Someplace Special" gets sporadic response. Please encourage folks to submit pictures for this feature.

Do you know of a special demo, event, etc? Let me know so that I can make arrangements to have it covered.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mike Mumford
Editor, California Blacksmith Magazine

Contact Mike if you want extra copies of The California Blacksmith

6. Web Site Update:

Mark Kochan is currently reviewing options to our current website service provider Wild Apricot and our current website manager.

Expanding our online capability / technology updating / phone and tablet access at package pricing. One of the services being considered is FlipCase. Any feedback is welcome.

See additional information in Editor' report ...

7. Library – Jesse Jensen

I haven't had the time I would like to put much energy into the library.
I have been getting 1-2 requests for books per month.
I do still need to set up the finance end of things with Tom.
I guess I don't really have anything else to report at this time.

Best regards,

~Jesse Jensen

8. Grants – Beth Holmberg

Grants Committee Report:

0) Since he will be present at the meeting, and I won't, Denis Dusek will be speaking on behalf of the committee at the meeting. He has been involved with both of the grants under discussion, and can make his own reports and recommendations. His opinion represents that of the committee-

1) Old business: Serene Silva did a multi-media presentation on her Cuba trip at Roaring Camp Hammer In. Sounds like an amazing experience- she tried to bring a bit of the Cuba experience to the hammer-in! She has two more obligations to fulfill on her grant: a version of her slide show to upload to the CBA website, and a photo essay for the mag. She would like to complete these ASAP, pending info from Mike and Julia on what they need/want.

2) New Business: We have a new grant proposal, attached, from Justin Buonanoma for a European trip including attending Hefaiston and working with Josef Habermann. As with other applications, the trip has already happened! We are left with the option of funding the application, and reaping the benefits, or of leaving Justin (and the knowledge he has gained) to himself. If funded, Dennis Dusek has specifically invited Justin to present on his trip at the 2018 Spring Conference. Justin is also willing to do a couple of captioned photo essays for the mag. He is prepared to complete these prior to Spring Conference. This seems like the kind of work the grant was designed for- Given the lack of any other applications, and the quality of the opportunity for CBA, I recommend fully funding the application.

Please let me know your decisions, and any questions you have that Denis can't answer!

Thanks,
Beth Holmberg
Grants Committee Chair

Justin Buonanoma
793 Gear St. Unit B
Reno, NV 89503
7-18-17

General Grant Application
California Blacksmith Association

Dear CBA Grant Committee::

I have been a member of the California Blacksmith Association since 2013. I have attended Oktoberfest as well as Spring Conference 2013, 14, and 15. I have also participated in CBA workshops and at ABANA 2016. I live and work in Reno, NV. I do forge work with Brett Moten at Infinity Forge. I also work with, and collaborate with Andrew Pellissier.

On August 9th Andrew and I will be travelling to the Czech Republic to stay with and work in the shop of Josef Habermann. On August 25th we will be attending Hefaiston at Helfstyn castle. Prior to Hefaiston we are planning on building a sculpture to bring to the festival. The week after Hefaiston; we will depart to Italy where we will be attending the 22nd Biennale Europea d'Arte Fabbriile in Stia.

I am applying for a General Grant for the amount of \$2,000 to help with travel expenses.

- Round trip plane tickets - \$2,500
- Rental Car - \$ 200 +
- Hotel in Prague and Stia - \$300 - \$500

In return for this grant I would like to contribute an article or two to the magazine. I was thinking a captioned photo essay on blacksmithing in the Czech Republic and the Hefaiston festival. I would also like to contribute a photo essay for the Stia festival. I can put the photo essays together any time between now and spring of 2018. In addition to this, Dennis Dusek would like for me to volunteer at the 2018 CBA Spring Conference. I would be doing a slide show presentation of our travels, and a small forging demo consisting of something that was inspirational during my travels .

Thank you for this opportunity and I look forward to sharing my experiences with other CBA members.

Best Regards,
Justin Buonanoma

Motion to approve grant, Dan Moved, John McLellan seconded ... unanimously approved

9. Education – Dan Perkins

Education Report Sept 29, 2017

The Roaring Camp Hammer-in Education area was a hub activity throughout the entire hammer-in. Mark Kochan did an excellent job in his demos and the follow up teaching. My on concern is our lack of anvils to go along with our forges, I noted some safety hazards and pointed them out to the people involved, the problem was trying to have 7 or 8 newer blacksmiths working on 3 anvils trying to do the project. There were several close calls with hot steel almost hitting skin. I propose that the Board start looking to purchase a couple of used anvils every year until we have one anvil per forge.

The education committee has been working with 2018 spring conference chair Dennis Dusek to help him with the education tent at that event. So far I've been only a sounding board for his thoughts and ideas but it should be a grand event and one that's talked about for years to come.

I'm in the process of putting together a couple of workshops at John McLellans shop for later this fall and winter. One is forging a knife with John Emmerling and the other is forging a Hatchet with Jim Austin.

I've started my quest to try and visit all of the CBA education Forges across the state and my goal is to visit them all by spring conference.

10. Election Committee – John McLellan / Paul Boulay

Space set aside in magazine for recruitment ... Paul

11. Safety Committee - Georg O'Gorman, Jack da Silva

Jack to review information published on our web site and have removed any that is out of compliance with our safety policy Action Jack

1) Action completed:

Date: 9/12/17 2:12 pm

Hi Jack!

The document 'Gas Forge Additional Pictures by Russ Jones.' is removed from Technical Documents page.

Thank you

Julia Stepro

Howdy Julia,

Please remove from the CBA Technical Documents: Gas Forge Additional Pictures by Russ Jones.

This is due to the use of insulation refractory materials that does not conform with manufacturers stated appropriate use, safety warnings and unsafe application beyond manufacturer specs.

There was also a discussion re A Simple Temperature Controller for the Propane Forge Furnace by Whitney Potter. After reading it again, it appears that he describes appropriate use of Kaowool with it being contained/sealed in the forge, which minimizes release of breathable fibers.

This appears to comply with manufacturers recommendations.

We can review as needed at the next Board meeting at O'fest as needed.

2) SDS



SAFETY DATA SHEET

Following Regulation 1910.1200

1 - Identification of product

a - Product identifier used on the label

Tradenames: Ceraform 102, Ceraform 103, Ceraform 140, Ceraform 141, Cerwool Wet Wrap, Cerwool Wet Wrap HT, FireMaster Board, Kaowool 12C Boards and Shapes, Kaowool 2300H Boards and Shapes, Kaowool 2300R Boards and Shapes, Kaowool A, Kaowool M Board, Kaowool Rigidized M, Kaowool Riser, Kaowool Wet, Pyro-Bloc Plus IT, Pyro-Bloc Plus XT, Thermotect A, Thermotect AR, Thermotect HP, Thermotect HT, Thermotect LD,

b - Other means of identification

REFRACTORY CERAMIC FIBER PRODUCT

c - Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Primary Use: Refractory Ceramic Fiber (RCF) materials are used primarily in industrial high temperature insulating applications. Examples include heat shields, heat containment, gaskets, expansion joints, industrial furnaces, ovens, kilns, boilers and other process equipment at applications up to 1400°C. **RCF based products are not intended for direct sale to the general public. While RCFs are used in the manufacture of some consumer products, such as catalytic converter mats and wood burning stoves, the materials are contained, encapsulated, or bonded within the units.**

12. Policies and Procedures - John McLellan No new

Old Business:

1. Budget 2017 ... **Tom recommends watching financial performance at O'fest if dues need to be adjusted**
 - a. Dropped member mailing is being prepared by Dan and Paul **now moved to January****Situation has improved ... Tom**

New Business:

Joe Koches addressed the board on an upcoming gallery promotion for artist blacksmiths ... lengthy discussion. Mark to take under consideration.
Sacramento gallery opportunity possible gallery space in 2018 AMA building

Facebook page Dan objected to some content being not managed. Paul is reviewing situation. "Paul to be added to the CBA Facebook page administrators. (Paul spoke to Jon Sarriugarte about this after the meeting.)"

Correspondence:

None other than routine e-mail and mail

Comments and questions:

None ...

Adjourned: 7:05

			2nd Qtr P&L	Jul - Sep 17
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
			4000 · Dues	4,305.00
			4100 · Conf income	
			4104 · Auction	3,795.00
			Total 4100 · Conf income	3,795.00
			4200 · Event income	
			4201 · Evt registration	21,220.00
			4210 · Anvil Sales	215.00
			Total 4200 · Event income	21,435.00
			4299 · Bank interest	0.66
			Total Income	29,535.66
Gross Profit				29,535.66
Expense				
			5000 · Magazine	
			5001 · Magazine office	2,480.00
			5004 · Printing	2,405.09
			5005 · Magazine Editor	900.00
			Total 5000 · Magazine	5,785.09
			5050 · Web Expenses	902.99
			5100 · Conf expense	
			5106 · Food exp	9,444.00
			5108 · Misc conf exp	1,664.00
			Total 5100 · Conf expense	11,108.00
			5200 · Event expense	
			5201 · Evt site/setup	300.00
			5202 · Evt demos	2,300.00
			5206 · Evt food	4,925.00
			5207 · Evt supplies	1,775.22
			Total 5200 · Event expense	9,300.22
			5300 · Ed/Training	
			5304 · Workshop materials	50.00
			5305 · Misc. Ed. Expense	516.16
			5307 · Committee Stipend	900.00
			Total 5300 · Ed/Training	1,466.16
			6000 · Admin	
			6015 · Secretary's Expense	468.00

				6018 · Officer Stipend	1,800.00
				6030 · Bank charges	-608.96
				6040 · CC Discount Fees	303.19
				6050 · Lease, CC Machine	259.37
				6070 · Processing Fees	807.88
				Total 6000 · Admin	3,029.48
				Total Expense	31,591.94
				Net Ordinary Income	-2,056.28
				Net Income	-2,056.28

Balance Sheet

Sep 21, 17

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1000 · Checking

New Merchant Acct. 207.81

1005 · Main Checking 2865 26,973.44

1035 · Library Acct 8622 674.44

1050 · Sect. Acct 6404 1,000.34

1000 · Checking - Other 1,464.45

Total 1000 · Checking 30,320.48

1100 · Savings

1105 · Savings 0334 10,993.37

1106 · Toomey Memorial 4,715.63

1115 · Bedayn Thomson 4,448.17

Total 1100 · Savings 20,157.17

1170 · Edward Jones Asset Acct. 51,390.76

Total Checking/Savings 101,868.41

Total Current Assets 101,868.41

TOTAL ASSETS 101,868.41

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

20000 · Accounts Payable -20.80

Total Accounts Payable -20.80

Total Current Liabilities -20.80

Total Liabilities -20.80

Equity	
3000 · Opening Bal Equity	8,487.23
3100 · Funds	
3120 · Grant Fund	41,736.80
3160 · Memorial, Toomey	6,500.00
3180 · Bedayn Thomson Grant Fund	500.00
3200 · Operating Budget	<u>71,250.00</u>
Total 3100 · Funds	119,986.80
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3300 · Allocated Funds	112,986.80
3900 · Funds Balance	77,772.57
Net Income	<u>8,629.41</u>
Total Equity	<u>101,889.21</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>101,868.41</u></u>

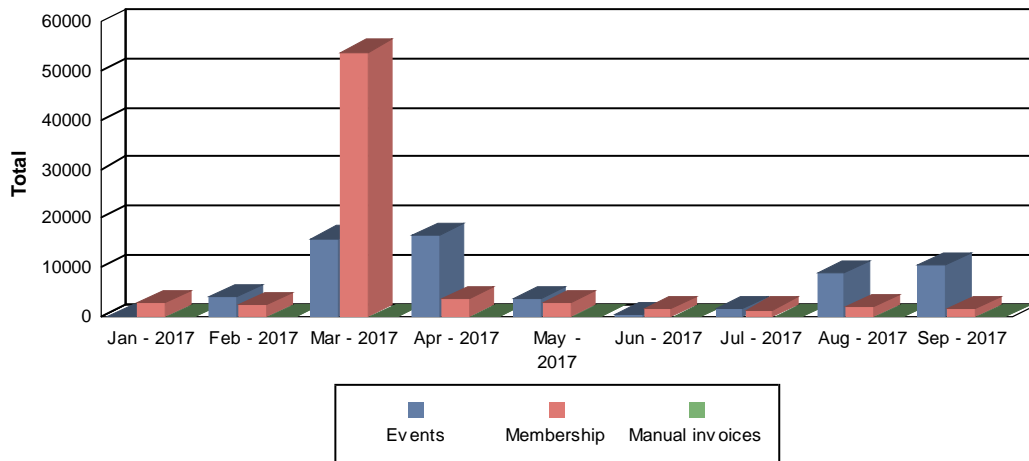
P&L FY 2017-2018	<u>Apr 1 - Sep 21, 17</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4000 · Dues	25,801.52
4100 · Conf income	
4101 · Registration	33,885.85
4104 · Auction	3,795.00
4105 · Refund	<u>-320.00</u>
Total 4100 · Conf income	37,360.85
4200 · Event income	
4201 · Evt registration	21,220.00
4210 · Anvil Sales	<u>215.00</u>
Total 4200 · Event income	21,435.00
4299 · Bank interest	1.01
4300 · Miscellaneous income	
4302 · Grants	-1,000.00
4300 · Miscellaneous income - Other	<u>5,100.33</u>
Total 4300 · Miscellaneous income	<u>4,100.33</u>
Total Income	<u>88,698.71</u>
Gross Profit	88,698.71
Expense	
5000 · Magazine	
5001 · Magazine office	7,480.00
5004 · Printing	9,057.46

5005 · Magazine Editor	1,800.00
Total 5000 · Magazine	18,337.46
5050 · Web Expenses	1,812.30
5100 · Conf expense	
5102 · Demos	9,766.97
5106 · Food exp	9,444.00
5108 · Misc conf exp	1,664.00
Total 5100 · Conf expense	20,874.97
5200 · Event expense	
5201 · Evt site/setup	3,675.00
5202 · Evt demos	2,300.00
5206 · Evt food	4,925.00
5207 · Evt supplies	1,775.22
Total 5200 · Event expense	12,675.22
5300 · Ed/Training	
5304 · Workshop materials	1,099.27
5305 · Misc. Ed. Expense	516.16
5307 · Committee Stipend	1,800.00
Total 5300 · Ed/Training	3,415.43
6000 · Admin	
6014 · Office expense	25.32
6015 · Secretary's Expense	12,391.88
6016 · Postage	22.08
6018 · Officer Stipend	3,600.00
6030 · Bank charges	-307.86
6040 · CC Discount Fees	2,461.87
6050 · Lease, CC Machine	488.36
6070 · Processing Fees	928.21
Total 6000 · Admin	19,609.86
6100 · Ins	2,702.00
69800 · Uncategorized Expenses	642.06
Total Expense	80,069.30
Net Ordinary Income	8,629.41
Net Income	8,629.41

September 21, 2017

**January 01, 2017 to
September 21, 2017
Events, Membership, Donations, Manual invoices**

All invoices





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Trades Soon to Settle in Two Business Days

Starting Sept. 5, 2017, the settlement cycle for most trades that currently settle in three business days will shorten to two business days. This means when you sell securities, you can expect to be paid sooner, and when you purchase securities, you'll be required to provide payment earlier. This change affects the entire financial industry. Please contact your financial advisor if you have questions.

Corporate - Advisory Solutions Fund Model

Portfolio Objective - Account: Balanced Toward Income

For more information about the Advisory Solutions program go to www.edwardjones.com/advisorybrochures.

Account Value	
\$54,389.39	
1 Month Ago	\$54,416.07
1 Year Ago	\$51,870.88
3 Years Ago	\$0.00
5 Years Ago	\$0.00

Value Summary		
	This Period	This Year
Beginning value	\$54,416.07	\$51,390.76
Assets added to account	0.00	0.00
Assets withdrawn from account	0.00	0.00
Fees and charges	-59.94	-449.54
Change in value	33.26	3,448.17
Ending Value	\$54,389.39	