

San Joaquin Fine Workers Association
Minutes for May 14, 2014
Sun Hong Kong Restaurant, Kingsburg, California

David Dunlap opened the meeting at 6:00.
Bev Gulley declared that a quorum was present.

Board members present: David Dunlap, Bob Cravy, Bev Gulley, Richard Pierce, Mike Weatherson, Glen Gray, Dale Dorfmeier, Mike Cunningham, Al Sindlinger, Bob Paskweitz, Kevin Gerke, Dave Summers.
Member guests: Jim Gulley, John Harkless

David Dunlap asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes of the last meeting as published via email. Mike Cunningham made the motion to accept the minutes of the March 12, 2014 Board Meeting as written, Dale Dorfmeier seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

Officer Reports

President – David Dunlap

- ◆ David reported that Ray Schaad's shop sale has been completed. We received about \$1600 from the sale of these items. Unsold items were given away. Dick Powell's ShopSmith Scroll saw is still available.
- ◆ David asked about the status of the Veneering class. 14 members signed up for the class, and many of them paid by using the Class button on the website. Treasurer Richard Pierce reported that Paypal payments are working well.

Secretary – Bev Gulley

- ◆ As promised, she has "terminated" unpaid members from the active roster. We now have 97 active members. She will email the names of the unpaid members to the Board.
- ◆ Jim Purvis is working with Stan Stephens to take over producing the membership cards and badges. They expect to purchase a laminator shortly. Dave Summers mentioned that the school recently purchased one at Staples and is satisfied with it.

Treasurer – Richard Pierce

- ◆ Richard Pierce reviewed the contents of the new one-page year-to-date Budget Report. He is very pleased with Joel Hatcher's work to automate it.
- ◆ The Club spent \$1100 on Joel's work through the end of March.
- ◆ Joel Hatcher has died suddenly. The club owes him for an estimated 10 hours of incidental work which was not yet billed. (See Website, below.)

VP South – Bob Cravy

- ◆ The May meeting will feature Ron Zanini, who will focus on working with local “found” woods. The meeting will be followed by Lunch with Julia, at Dave Summers’ home at 740 S. Peggy, Tulare. 29 people have signed up.
- ◆ July meeting – Ken Kenoyer and Stan Stephens will talk about turning.

VP North – Murray Barry

- ◆ June meeting will be at Roger McCoy’s shop. Details to come.
- ◆ August meeting is likely to be at Saroyan Lumber.

Newsletter Editor – Mike Weatherson

- ◆ Mike will be out of town June 19-July 10. He needs someone to take pictures at the July meeting and to write an article for the Newsletter. Richard Pierce will take care of it.
- ◆ Mike delivered the donated bird houses to the Animal Compassion organization, and they were auctioned off. About \$350-400 was raised.

Standing Committee Reports

Education – Chris Grothe / Richard

- ◆ David Dunlap will present a cutting board class July 12 at Tulare Western from about 8:00 AM to 12 Noon.

Calendar – Mike Cunningham

- ◆ Mike reminded us to get Calendar items to him so he can update the website.

Website – Jim Gulley

- ◆ At David Dunlap’s request, Jim and Joel changed the “member” password after the active member list for 2014 was finalized. All members have been notified of the new password. The website sign-in page was updated to refer password questions to Bev Gulley.
- ◆ Jim would like to receive additional profiles, especially from Board members. Just email the completed profile to him.
- ◆ Jim reported that Joel Hatcher died very suddenly on May 10. He will be a great loss to the Club. Fortunately, the website is based on a commonly used commercial platform – Joomla. A quick online search turned up at least 10 Joomla developers in the Fresno / Clovis area. He will research further and report at the next meeting.
- ◆ As Joel was the only website “superuser”, we cannot currently make any structural changes to the website. Jim can arrange to have the password reset, or we may be able to find the password in Joel’s files. We will try to obtain Club files from Joel’s widow.

- ◆ As noted in the Treasurer's report, we owe Joel Hatcher's estate for approximately 10 hours of work which were unbilled at the time of his death.

Motion: The Treasurer is directed to send a check for \$150 to Hatcher Designs to satisfy our obligation for work recently completed but not billed.

Motion made by Mike Cunningham, seconded by Glen Gray, and passed by voice vote.

Special Committee Reports

Juried Show – David Dunlap

- ◆ Hoping to get some more participation. About 6 people have signed up so far. Ben Douglas would like to add a "turning" category.

Motion: A new category, Turning, will be added to the Juried Show. It will have 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbons. A "Best of Show" ribbon will be awarded with the winner selected from all categories.

Motion made by Bev Gulley, seconded by Bob Paskweitz, and passed by voice vote.

Tulare Fair -

- ◆ Al Sindlinger is the primary contact, working with Bob Cravy. It will be set up similar to previous years.
- ◆ Kevin Gerke can make a nice computer-printed banner if he receives the text within the next 3 weeks.

2014 Raffle –

- ◆ Bob Cravy filed State of California paperwork for the raffle. He and Al Sindlinger are lining up prizes, including the traditional Buckboard Bench. Bev Gulley reported that Richard Pierce has agreed to donate a box. Tickets will be sold at the Tulare Fair, and members will also be given tickets to sell.

Toys – John Harkless

- ◆ The inventory of parts on hand is complete. All requirements for the current year have been collected and a purchase list has been compiled, with final refinements awaiting approval of the new "lawn mower" toy.
- ◆ John will place the order and pass along items to South according to requests. He will also work with South (Dave Summers) to transfer some inventory items to North.

Old Business

None discussed.

New Business

Small Toy Parts – Jim Gulley (Toy Compliance)

- ◆ Jim reviewed the legal requirements regarding small parts. A “small part” is anything that fits in the official Test Cylinder. These items represent a choking hazard for children under 3 years old. Any toy designed to be given to children under 3 years old may not have removable small parts, and may not break in such a way as to create a small part. Thus, small wheels are no more of a hazard than the axle pegs used to attach them. Our rules as written are inconsistent in this respect and should be clarified.
- ◆ Jim displayed a commercial toy which is labeled for children 3 or older. It has a simple, removable warning label.

Motion: To Clarify Toy Production Rules

Toy production involving small, permanently attached parts is acceptable; for example, a 1” wheel permanently attached with an axle.

Toys that contain loose or removable small parts, such as marble games or Last Man Standing, are acceptable for manufacture and distribution by our Association, but must be properly labeled. The label will state that the toy is not appropriate for children under 3, and that the toy contains a potential choking hazard.

Motion made by Mike Cunningham, seconded by Al Sindlinger, and passed by voice vote.

Reference Library – Jon Grace

- ◆ Jon Grace would like to sell much of our large collection of magazines and extra books, with the proceeds being used to acquire DVD collections of these magazines. We lacked time to properly discuss this and to approve specific expenditures, but did not wish to delay the sale.

Motion: The Reference Library Committee is authorized to sell hard-copy magazines and excess books. Funds thus raised will be set aside to purchase DVD magazines following Board discussion and approval.

Motion made by Kevin Gerke, seconded by Mike Cunningham, and approved by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.