

SJFWA Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2016
Sun Hong Kong Restaurant
1425 Draper Street, Kingsburg
6:00 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Stan Stephens.

Secretary Craig Gough declared a quorum present.

Officers Present: Stan Stephens, Murray Barry, Kevin Gerke, Craig Gough, Roger McCoy, Mike Weatherson, Glen Gray, Jon Grace, Norm Gough, Bob Paskweitz, Bob Cravy

Guests Present: None

Officer Reports

President

- ◆ President Stan Stephens welcomed the board members to the March meeting.

January Minutes

- ◆ Kevin Gerke motioned to approve the January minutes as drafted. Bob Cravy seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote.

Secretary – Craig Gough

- ◆ Nothing to report

Treasurer – Roger McCoy

- ◆ Treasurer’s Report – Roger McCoy presented the current balances to the board.
- ◆ 2016 Budget update – Budgeting concerns related to the auction on March 13, 2016 were raised (see Toche auction below)
- ◆ Insurance
Roger McCoy received the statement for the clubs liability insurance policy from Stan Stephens to be paid from budgeted club funds.
- ◆ Toche auction
Roger McCoy reported that \$8,766 had been raised at the auction (approximately \$5,800 from the live auction, \$2,800 from the silent auction and \$120 from donations for miscellaneous items)
Roger McCoy presented the intent of David Dunlap’s donation of his scroll saw to the auction. The purpose of the donation was to raise funds to

purchase a scroll saw for club use. After discussion by the board, Mike Weatherson motioned that the club provide up to \$600 for purchase of a scroll saw by David Dunlap for use at club functions. The motion was seconded by Norm Gough and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Stan Stephens voiced that there was some uncertainty about whether the club needed to pay sales tax on the proceeds of this auction (and any other future auctions). As there was no clear cut answer, it was deemed prudent to consult a CPA on the matter. Roger McCoy motioned that funds up to \$500 be made available for a consultation. The motion was seconded by Bob Cravy and unanimously approved by voice vote.

VP South – Kevin Gerke

- ◆ March meeting
Kevin Gerke confirmed that Craig Miller and Ken Kenoyer will be presenting an introduction to woodburning.
Stan Stephens outlined the facilities at the museum in Mooney Grove Park, Visalia where the meeting would be held.
- ◆ May meeting
Topics were discussed for the upcoming meeting. Kevin Gerke reported that Tulare Western may not be available for future meetings. Additional locations are being looked into (including the Museum at Mooney Grove Park pending the outcome of the March meeting)

VP North – Murray Barry

- ◆ April meeting
Murray Barry reported that the April meeting is scheduled to be held at Mike Weatherson's home. Jorgenson's will be doing a presentation on fire safety. There will also be a hands-on opportunity for members to extinguish a fire. Members will be able to have fire extinguishers serviced at the meeting or exchange them for tested and certified extinguishers.
- ◆ June meeting
Topics and locations were discussed for the upcoming meeting. Craig Gough reported that the new library near McLane High School may have facilities available. Norm and Craig Gough will be looking into the availability and suitability of the location.

Newsletter Editor – Mike Weatherson

- ◆ Mike Weatherson reported that he will be absent from the next two south meetings. Arrangements have been made for other members to report on those meetings.
- ◆ Mike reported that newsletter submissions are always welcome. Due to a shortage of articles recently, his filler material has been depleted, and any information for inclusion in future newsletters would be appreciated.

- ◆ The board discussed options for speeding up distribution of the newsletter – especially the printed version. Mike will make inquiries about printing locally from a digital file to cut the delivery time of the printed newsletters.

Standing Committee Reports

Education – Bill Lynam

- ◆ Proposed classes for 2016
Stan Stephens reported in Bill Lynam’s absence. Class choices have been tentatively selected and the committee is working on scheduling.

Website – Jim Gulley

- ◆ Stan Stephens reported in Jim Gulley’s absence that the website is once again fully functional and all issues from last year’s hacking seem to have been resolved. The club website has been migrated to a new, more secure server and additional security has been added. The member password will be changed to a more secure format April 1, 2016.

Special Committee Reports

◆ Toys

Al Sindlinger – In Al’s absence nothing was reported.

Glen Gray – Inventory of current parts has been completed and the committee is awaiting requests for toy building in 2016.

Dave Summers – In Dave’s absence nothing was reported

Norm Gough raised the question about having a distribution list available regarding where the toys were being given to. Kevin Gerke concurred that it would be a motivational point for members to know who was benefitting from the work the club does. After discussion, and the point being made that some sites did not want to be named for security reasons, it was agreed that Kevin would be provided with a list of the numbers and types of locations as well as their general location for the purpose of promoting toy making within the club as well as to the general public.

Subgroups

- ◆ Fine Furniture Subgroup, next meeting – Roger McCoy
Roger reported that the Fine Furniture group would be taking a break in March to allow participants to work on the current project. Roger offered that he will be available to help any members who would like assistance. The group will have their next meeting in April.
- ◆ Scroll Saw Subgroup – Kevin Gerke
Kevin Gerke deferred to Jon Grace for reporting. Jon reported that the last meeting had been cancelled due to difficulties in procuring saws for the meeting as well as personal conflicts. The next meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2016 at David Dunlap’s shop.

Old Business

- ◆ Toy tester needed to replace Jim Gulley. Frank Balajadia has expressed interest.
Stan Stephens reported that Frank Balajadia has expressed interest in taking on the duties of toy tester. The matter will be discussed further when Frank has returned from vacation.
- ◆ Other old business?
Craig Gough inquired about distribution of the clubs promotional brochures. Kevin Gerke reported that they had been placed at numerous locations in the South. Craig received a number of brochure displays from Kevin and will be placing brochures at locations of interest to woodworkers in the Fresno area.

New Business

- ◆ \$50-\$100 donation to Tulare County Historical Society, museum improvements, for use of museum facility for March general meeting. Stan Stevens reported that the museum had suggested it would be appropriate to make a donation to the society in thanks for use of the museum for the club's March meeting. After discussion, Craig Gough motioned to make a \$50 donation. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved by voice vote.
- ◆ \$100 donation to Joe Castro's wife for materials used to make dolls, which are contributed to the club.
Stan Stephens reported that the club had been asked to make a donation to cover some of the cost of materials for the production of dolls. After discussion, Glen Gray motioned that \$100 be donated to Joe Castro's wife's club. The motion was seconded by Bob Cravy and unanimously approved by voice vote.
- ◆ Videographer – Frank Balajadia has made the offer to consider this position. Stan Stephens reported that Frank Balajadia has expressed interest in taking on the duties of videographer. The matter will be discussed further when Frank has returned from vacation.
- ◆ Other new business?
Jon Grace expressed a need for additional bookshelves for the club library stored at David Dunlap's shop. Craig Gough offered that he had some bookshelves in storage that are available to the club. Craig will discuss with David and make arrangements as necessary.

Adjourn

- ◆ Norm Gough motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jon Grace and approved unanimously by voice vote.
The March 16, 2016 meeting adjourned at 7:20pm