

**SJFWA Board Meeting Draft Minutes
January 18, 2017
Sun Hong Kong Restaurant
1425 Draper Street, Kingsburg
6:00 pm**

Call to Order

- ◆ President Stan Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Statement of quorum being present

- ◆ Secretary Craig Gough declared a quorum present.
Board members present: Stan Stephens, David Dunlap, Kevin Gerke, Craig Gough, Roger McCoy, Mike Weatherson, Glen Gray, Jon Grace, Bob Paskweitz, Bob Cravy, Dave Summers.
Guests Present: None

November 2016 draft meeting's minutes (attached)

Additions, corrections, approval

- ◆ There were no comments or discussion on the minutes. Roger McCoy motioned to approve the minutes as-is. He was seconded by Glen Gray and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Officer Reports

President

- ◆ Stan Stephens welcomed the board and thanked them for the continuing service in the new year.

Secretary

- ◆ Craig Gough reported that the minutes are current.

Treasurer – Roger

- ◆ Treasurer's Report – attached
Roger reported the status of the Club's accounts. He shared a concern that although the Club's 2016 budget had more income than expenditures, the bulk of the income for the Club had come from the Tosche auction. As that was a one-time donation, the club cannot expect that much income from donations regularly. The club would have had a deficit of approximately \$5,400 dollars requiring the club to use funds in savings to cover expenses. The board discussed the fact that fundraising has been minimal and may need to be stepped up in the future. There was also discussion of possibly needing to raise membership dues. Both items will be presented to the membership and discussed over the course of the next year.
- ◆ Presentation of 2017 Budget – attached
Roger presented the proposed budget for 2017. Accounting for fixed costs, the budget was approved unanimously with an estimated \$5,400 deficit with the understanding that the club will need to increase fundraising efforts or make up the deficit from savings.

VP South – Kevin Gerke Reported on upcoming south meetings.

- ◆ January meeting – Due to unforeseen circumstances Craig Miller will not be able to discuss finishing at the January meeting. Stan Stephens will be doing a presentation of the various methods available for holding workpieces on the lathe for turning.
- ◆ March meeting – Dave Sommers will be doing a presentation on applying finishes using spray guns
- ◆ May – Kingsburg Museum. The board decided to go forward with a show & tell and pot-luck meeting at the Kingsburg Museum. The club will likely make arrangements to provide meat for the event and ask members to bring side dishes. Tentative plans were made to do the initial setup Friday before the meeting – volunteers will be sought out from the club membership to assist. Stan also shared that he would like to have a few pieces available for a silent auction and will contact members who may be willing to donate above average pieces.

VP North – Stan Stephens reported in Murray Barry's absence

- ◆ February meeting –Fresno Ideaworks. The club will be meeting at the Fresno Ideaworks facility in downtown Fresno. Ideaworks staff will be presenting their facilities and opportunities they provide.
- ◆ April meeting – Revive Industries will be doing a presentation on their operations and the work they do reclaiming and reusing salvaged material. The meeting will be held at Mike Weatherson's shop where he will once again be holding a birdhouse competition to benefit animal rescue.
- ◆ June Meeting – With past discussion about having a shop hop in the North this year, Stan is moving forward with organizing one for June's meeting. Several shops were proposed and Stan will be contacting members to discuss.

Brainstorm monthly meeting topics

- ◆ Meeting topics have been scheduled for most of the remaining meetings for the year. The board discussed options for filling the remaining open dates.

Newsletter Editor – Mike Weatherson reported

- ◆ Mike reported that things are going as expected with the Newsletter. Due to space issues with the last edition, the membership application was not included. After discussion, the board decided that inclusion of the application was not necessary and would be left to Mike's discretion.
- ◆ Stan will be asking for members to submit articles for inclusion in the newsletter at the next general meeting. Reviews of materials in the Club library or articles about techniques and processes members use in their shops are encouraged.

Standing Committee Reports

Education

- ◆ 2017 tentative classes (see below), can we set tentative dates?- Stan Roger, Bob and Jon discussed scheduling and availability of facilities for the classes they have planned. The instructors made tentative plans for when they would like to hold the classes based on their availability and scheduling so classes do not interfere with each other.
- ◆ Need a chairman – suggestion of possible candidates
The board discussed the need for an education chairman and will continue to seek someone to fill the position.

Website – Jim G.

- ◆ Stan reported in Jim's absence that the website is fully operational and functioning normally.

Membership –

- ◆ Stan reported that Sherryn McNab has actively taken over the role of membership chair. She plans to have new membership cards at the January meeting.

Special Committee Reports

Toys

- ◆ Stan reported that the Club has been re-registered as a small batch manufacturer as required for toy production.
- ◆ Glen and Dave discussed that parts will need to be inventoried again this year before toy production begins.
- ◆ There was discussion about the number of toys produced in 2016 being lower than previous years. The general consensus was the less members are making toys, but that the Club is still providing a large number of toys to children who would otherwise not receive them.

DVD/Reference book library

- ◆ Jon Grace reported that he is still acquiring materials for the library, but that members are not taking advantage of the library.

Subgroups

- ◆ Fine Woodworking Subgroup
Roger reported that the last meeting was a trip to Springville to visit two members' shops and had gone well. The next meeting will continue to explore box making and be held on January 28th
- ◆ Scroll Saw Subgroup
Jon Grace reported that the Scroll Saw Group began working on projects for Champ Camp at their last meeting.

Old Business

- ◆ Toy tester
Stan reported that George Alexander had received the testing equipment and is working with Jim Gully to prepare to begin testing toys as needed.
- ◆ Quilters funding –report on effort to contact quilter organization
David reported that he has a nearly complete and up to date list of the quilting guilds and their contacts who produce goods for the Club's toy projects.
- ◆ January audit of the treasure
Roger reported that the audit is planned for January 28th. Stan and Roger will work to coordinate with two member to perform the review, hopefully recruiting members who will be at the Fine Woodworking group on that day.

New Business

- ◆ Brainstorm possible fund raising events
The board once again discussed the need to increase fundraising efforts to meet the budget deficit and avoid depleting the Club's savings.
- ◆ Review and approval of web site maintenance contract
Stan presented the revised web maintenance contract which had some clarifications to the language made. Roger McCoy motioned to approve the contract and was seconded by David Dunlap. The board approved the contract unanimously. Stan and Roger made arrangements to deliver the signed contract and payment.
- ◆ Other new business?
Glen shared that PG&E has a program that will reimburse retired employees for time they have spent working with non-profit groups. Glen believes he qualifies and is working on getting that approved with the intent of donating any reimbursement to the club.
Dave, Stan and others shared some of the "Thank You's" the Club had received for toy donations in 2016.

Adjourn

Kevin Gerke motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Glen Gray. The board unanimously voted to adjourn.

2017 GENERAL MEETINGS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

January (S) (Tulare Western High School) - Stan Stephens will present a program on holding wood on the lathe. This will include the use of faceplates, jam chucks, collets, worms, scroll chucks and vacuums and some additional magical techniques.

February (N): Fresno Ideaworks (www.fresnoideaworks.org) - Fresno Ideaworks is a nonprofit organization in down town Fresno (1755 Broadway Street) that provided a large array of skill building and learning opportunities. This will be a tour of their facilities and equipment available to their members. There are plans to open a similar facility in Clovis in early 2017.

March (S) (Tulare western High School) - Dave Summers will show you everything you need to know about applying finishes with a spray gun.

April (N) (Mike Weatherson's Shop) annual bird house contest/Tim Schulz, Revive Industries (www.reviveindustries.com)

May (S) - Show and tell/pot luck/BBO at Kingsburg Museum (expand on details)

June (N) - TBA

July (S) - TBA

August (N) - Table saw sleds, Roger McCoy's shop with assistance from Mike Weatherson.

September (S) - TBA

October (N) - Wood coloration, part 2; Craig Gough's shop

November (S) - TBA

December (N) - Joe Weigandt's mobile home park, annual Christmas Party/ annual meeting/ program
TBA

Note: Need to add a North shop-hop (let's pick a date and possible small shops)

2017 Tentative Classes

- ✓ Band saw box making - Roger McCoy
- ✓ Small decorative boxes - Bob Paskweitz
- ✓ Stain Glass making - Jon Grace
- ✓ Decorative inlay????? - Chris Grothe?
- ✓ Other?

It would be nice to have a couple of mini (4-hour) "how to" classes