

Minutes of CWA board meeting of January 13, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:42 am at the NBH office in Portland.

Attending were board members Jerry Klug, Bill Karow, Len Otto, Mike Worthington, John Replinger, Geraldine Clark, Jim Piper, Kathleen Duncan, and Harvey Rogers. Guest attending is Skip Burke. Absent were Bill Herrold, Ken Kirkman and David Williams.

The board discussed the following topics:

**Changing banks.** Treasurer Ken Kirkman has suggested CWA consider changing financial institutions. The board asks Ken Kirkman to explore this further and to check with credit unions such as OnPoint. It would be desirable to have a credit card for the account, so it could be used to pay for costs like our website.

**Community involvement.** The board discussed making Beads of Courage bowls. The board authorized purchase of Beads of Courage emblems to be given to members for Beads of Courage bowls. Harvey to put up a page on website describing program. Skip and Len to check with high schools about opportunities for more community involvement by CWA members. [Who was going to purchase the Beads?]

**Mentor list.** Jim will make announcement at the next meeting about starting a mentor list. Harvey and Skip will talk with Howard and Dale and to develop standards for mentoring and put up information on the website.

**Website:** Kathleen will change so the website shows the cascadowoodturners URL instead of the Wildapricot URL.

**Letterhead and logo.** Bill and Jim will develop these for CWA.

**Problems with our current meeting location.** The board discussed whether it is feasible to move, and whether it would be feasible to have the regular club meetings on the weekend to minimize traffic. Skip will contact Franklin High. Mike will check for Westside venues, including PSU and PCC. Geraldine will check with Marjin about possible Portland high schools.

**Timing of the newsletter.** We will try to post the newsletter on the second Thursday of the month, which is a week before the club meeting.

**Polls:** John offered to do surveymonkey polls if the board wants input from members on particular questions.

**Newsletter archives.** Jerry will have the existing electronic-only newsletter archives printed by a commercial service at CWA's expense, and will find out the cost of scanning the newsletters that are in paper-only form.

**Lighting for demonstrators.** There was a consensus that lighting for the demonstrators needs to be improved. Harvey will bring in several LED lights for the next meeting to see what works best, and Jim will get a 4' overhead LED light.

**Monthly challenge.** CWA will continue having challenges and will think about how to improve them. CWA will consider scheduling the challenges so that members have a couple of months to prepare their submissions. CWA will also consider having separate show-and-tells for beginners and experts.

**Picnic instead of August demonstration.** The board approved having a picnic instead of a regular meeting with a demonstration in August. Jim will check to see if Phil's place is available and will plan the picnic.

**Changes to bylaws and administrative matters.** The board agreed to change the bylaws to refer to general members, and to allow board meetings to be called with three or more calendar days' notice. The board decided that memberships should expire at the end of January each year, but that people joining in September or later would not have to pay for the last few of months of the year. [Did we agree to provide a \$10 student membership?]

**Notice of Board Decisions.** The minutes of this meeting will be put in the February newsletter.

**AAW symposium discount.** Jim will have signups at the January and February meetings for people who want to take advantage of the discount. For groups of ten signees, the fee will be \$300. That's \$25 off full price.

**Operation of the Store at the January meeting.** Bill Karow, our storekeeper, will be out of town during the January meeting. Geraldine and Skip will help operate the store during his absence.

**Website Fees.** The board authorized paying for a full year of Wild Apricot in advance to get a 10% discount. Harvey will pay that and be reimbursed.

**Next Meeting.** The board discussed having the next meeting at the end of March.

**Thanks to Geraldine.** The board thanked Geraldine for allowing us to meet at NBH.

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 am.