

## HUMBOLDT WOODWORKING SOCIETY

Minutes from Board of Directors Meeting April 14, 2011 at office of Don Bicknell

Present: Steve Baer, Harvey Raider, Joel McCoy, Bert Hafar, Susan Bicknell, Don Bicknell

Minutes of BOD Directors Meeting of March 10, 2011 were approved, on motion of Don Bicknell, seconded by Susan Bicknell

Susan reported that the mailing service (HCAR) we were using for nonprofit postage is no longer doing so. Susan is looking for another mailing service before our next bulk mailing in October, but none has yet been found. The Postal Service fees of \$370 for the first year and \$185 annually thereafter make this too expensive without a mailing service. The WoodFair mailing went out using regular first class postage, and Susan herself did all the preparation of the mailing.

The Finance Committee had its quarterly meeting on April 12, 2011 and a report will be presented to the BOD.

Don gave the Treasurer's Report, including a current balance sheet prepared by Susan. The general fund had a balance of \$2003.45 as of April 12, 2011, and the total bank balance was then \$9693.85. There is a small deficit in the April Show sub-account, due to the cancellation of the show.

Susan gave an update on WoodFair. Flyers were mailed out near the end of March. One person had sent in an entry form for 2 items. \$600 in sponsorships has been received to date. Ads have been placed in the Woodworker West magazine. The one recently printed was exhibited to the Board. The next ad will be in the May/June issue, which will include a pictorial based on 2010 WoodFair. Discussion was held regarding help with PR, and Susan is already in contact with Heather Shelton, Lifestyle Editor, Times-Standard. Susan reported that she has been unable to receive any other quotes for vendor insurance.

Steve reported on the April Show. The show was cancelled when only 8 entries had been received by the deadline. 10 entries came in after the deadline. Steve wrote a letter to all entrants, and returned money to those who had sent in a contribution with their entries. There was a discussion regarding contributions rather than entry fees, which were not allowed by the IRS review of our non-profit application.

The Board discussed the absence of a monthly newsletter for March, 2011, and the need to have one sent every month. Since there was no March newsletter, many members were unaware of the cancellation of the April Show.

The Board discussed plans for the clinic scheduled for Saturday, April 16, 2011 at C.R. Steve volunteered to call members without an email address to inform them of the event.

The Board discussed future meetings. For May, a possibility is Andy's Cabinets, but Andy Dickey cannot do it on a Thursday night. Steve will contact Andy to discuss a May date. If there are no other plans, Bert would consider an event about making solid-body guitars for June.

August 27, 2011 clinic at C.R. is being planned with demonstrations by Ejler Hjorth-Westh involving French polishing and other finishing techniques. Joel will be contacting Ejler regarding his requirements and arrangements.

Rental lease agreement with Almquist Lumber was discussed. Steve has given a proposed addendum to the lease to Eric Almquist, but has not received a reply. HWS has not yet been billed by Almquist for the rental space.

Susan brought up the recruitment of a new Treasurer for 2012. Unfortunately, no members of the Finance Committee were able to take on that position. Susan is ready and willing to begin training a new person on QuickBooks.

Susan suggested that some HWS business be conducted briefly at monthly general meetings, and Steve agreed that was appropriate.

Next BOD meeting was scheduled for Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 5:30pm at Don Bicknell's office.

Respectfully submitted, Don Bicknell