



SWGGA MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
December 12, 2017
The Garrett's:
21252 Clifford Road
Grass Valley, CA 95949

Directors:

President - Bernie Zimmerman
Vice President - Tony Mello
Treasurer - Lloyd Tosse
Secretary - Diane Houston
Social Coordinator – Kate Garrett

Outreach Coordinator - David Blitstein
Programs Coordinator - Dave Elliott
Membership Coordinator - Jim Garrett
Communications Coordinator - Grace Zimmerman

Establish Board Quorum & Call to Order: President Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. All board members were present.

Approval of Minutes

Jim Garrett made a motion to approve the October 26, 2017 minutes; Tony Mello seconded and all approved.

The board reviewed and approved the draft minutes of the November 16 annual meeting and election. Clarification was made of those making motions during the election.

President's Report

Bernie reported that he heard positive comments regarding the Christmas party and thought the crowd was generally more loose and spirited this year. The final cost of the event was \$3,462 and with ticket sales, the final cost to the organization was \$222.00. A suggestion was made to have the party on a Thursday night next year.

Treasurer's report

Lloyd reported the Christmas party income was as follows: \$170 from the silent auction and \$530 from the raffle. After a brief discussion about the lower income from the auction, the board deferred any changes for the Christmas party committee.

Social Coordinator's report

Kate reported that the Tonnie's returned the SWGGA material to her. However, we seemed to be down to one set of keys for the fairgrounds. Lloyd volunteered to contact the fairgrounds to get another set. Due to a conflict, the regular meeting room is unavailable for January & February, therefore the meetings will be held in the Sugar Pine building.

Outreach Coordinator's report

David B. turned over a check for \$45 for the sale of a SWGGA sign. He also submitted a receipt for reimbursement in the amount of \$85.21 for purchase of _____.

Program Coordinator's report

Dave E. reported his plan for the January program will be the popular "Can the Wine be Saved". He's trying to contact Mark Foster to present and is considering Jack Starr since Jacques Mercier has relocated.

Diane suggested a program on vineyard practices for another meeting.

Membership Coordinator's report

Jim G. reported a total of 70 members at year end (66 paid), including twelve new for 2017. Our last new member was referred by Guy Lauderbach of Grey Pine Winery. Membership cards will be printed in January. Jim also presented an early prototype for a new SWGGA brochure.

Communications Coordinator's report

Grace reported the website was infected by a bot and Jim Garrett was able to correct. He purchased a "plug in" for \$12 for the website. Photos of the Christmas party will be posted on the website in low resolution.

Old Business

SWGGA business cards: Dave Elliot reported that the cost for SWGGA business cards would only be \$.13 each to the UPS store and to let him know whoever would like cards.

Annual dues increase: All dues increases must be voted on by the membership at the annual meeting per the Bylaws. Therefore, there can be no increase for 2018 so they will remain at \$50 per year. Bernie stated he was comfortable with our finances for now and suggested this topic be revisited in August.

New Business: None

Next BOD meeting: January 25, 2018 at the Tosse's. Dave Elliot volunteered for the February meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:43

Respectfully Submitted by,

Diane Houston, Secretary