



SWGGA MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
June 22, 2017
The Tosses'
11256 Juniper Drive, Nevada City

Directors:

President - Bernie Zimmerman

Vice President - Tony Mello

Treasurer - Lloyd Tosse

Secretary - Diane Houston (absent)

Social Coordinator - Bob Tonnies

Outreach Coordinator - David Blitstein

Program Coordinator - Dave Elliott

Membership Coordinator - Jim Garrett

Communications Coordinator - Grace Zimmerman

Call to Order: 7:47 p.m.

Board Quorum

The President determined a quorum was present. All directors present except for Diane.

Minutes of May 25, 2017

The minutes were approved.

President's Report

Rod Byers will be running the Nevada County Fair Wine Competition as ~~in the past~~ last year. He does not need judges from SWGGA. Rod is not sure there is enough demand for another category. He will get back to us if he senses a need. A board member said changes to the competition procedures need to be made six months ahead. It is too late for this year.

It was agreed the Communications Coordinator would send a blast with a link to the Fair competition handbook. Jim will again leave membership applications and flyers at the competition.

Discussion ensued whether the August meeting (at which Rod will discuss the winning entries) should be open to the public. The consensus was to advertise and open it to the public. David B was authorized to publicize.

Bernie reported about Rod's interview of him for a news article. There was a motion for thank Rod for his presentation at the June meeting. Lloyd was authorized to send a \$100 check.

There was discussion about Alan Smith's suggestion that we auction off a dinner with wine paired by Rod. It was the consensus that it was too close to the picnic to discuss. Tabled.

We received an email from Marian Lucero offering to host the picnic next year. She said they can't do 50 or 60 people. It was suggested that perhaps the September meeting might be held there. Dave E. will think about it.

Treasurer's report

We began with a total of \$5598. Check for \$2000 for scholarship. \$200 to Alta Sierra for Xmas party. \$300 to Tonnies. \$601 for inventory. \$350 in dues. \$2852.88 balance: \$1093 in the scholarship fund and \$1760 in the general fund.

Social Coordinator's report

Picnic Details.

Bob listed the people who have volunteered so far. David B. and Diane Houston will handle the raffle tickets. Bob will talk to Dan Carrick about doing the raffle. Grace, Hope Bostic and Marita Smith will staff the welcome table. Bernie and Hosea Bostic will handle the wine table. Dave E. will handle the silent auction. John Lyon and Linda Foreman will help with the food. Bob said food would be served around 6. He and Donna will be there by 4 to set up.

SWGGA will reimburse the Tonnies for miscellaneous items for the picnic. Bob T will get paper plates, ice chests and other supplies. Jim G will do the sound.

Sierra Knolls will be contributing a gift basket which will go into the silent auction.

It was agreed after discussion that we would request the \$20 contribution be sent with the RSVP. Checks are to be sent to Jim G and made out to SWGGA. Grace will send out an amended picnic notice and flyer done by Bob T, and she will correct the website. The deadline for responding is July 12. The contribution is \$20 per person.

Outreach Coordinator's report

David B submitted checks to Lloyd for \$223 for products sold. David, with Marilyn's help, will staff a hat and apron table at the picnic. A mockup of the new sign was passed around. David reported on the scholarship award.

Program Coordinator's report

Dave E. reported on the plans for the rest of the year's meetings:

July. Picnic

August. Rod Byers

September and October. Open

November. Dave Luce

December. Holiday Party

Membership Coordinator's report

Jim G reported 57 paid members, 3 complimentary, a decrease of 12 from last year.

Communications Coordinator report

Everything is fine. The website is up, some problems with members' access and receiving emails were resolved.

Old Business

None.

New Business

A. 2018 election

Tony Mello will head Nominations, and will decide whether he needs a committee. He will contact incumbents. We need to get notices out to members in October.

B. Holiday party

Lloyd gave the Alta Sierra club \$200. Lloyd will confirm Dec 8. Bob will contact Elaine to determine whether she wants to chair the committee.

C. The wine exchange proposal made by Peter Wilcox & Alan Smith was discussed. Perhaps it could be done at the October meeting. Bernie will ask Peter to run it.

Next BOD meeting & location

July 27, the Mellos hosting, at a location to be determined.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:27pm.

Respectfully submitted
Grace Zimmerman
Acting Secretary