

Minutes CBA Board Meeting

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Wayne Parris's Workshop in Lake Matthews, CA

Attendance: Board Members present: Herb Upham, Jenilyn Laughlin, Julie Henry, Paul Quyle, Reuel Darling, Wayne Parris, Dave Vogel, John McLellan, and Eden Sanders. Also present were Merle Bashor, Pat Laughlin, Bill Stone, and Richard Schrader.

Comments from Members: Reuel Darling suggested that there be a better map to Wayne's World for future events. Thanks were expressed to Wayne Parris for hosting this meeting and the concurrent Hammer-In.

Approval of Minutes: Herb Upham pointed out that the previous minutes were in error as to the location of this meeting. Jenilyn Laughlin moved, Eden Sanders seconded, Agenda approved.

Agenda: Herb Upham added an item regarding whether or not Paul Quyle has had a chance to shop the graphics for the bumper sticker around. He also added a New Business item to the agenda, that being the opening of a board position. Paul Quyle requested that a discussion of CBA's archives be added but agreed to open that discussion with the Publication Committee report. Jenilyn moved, Julie seconded, and the additions were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Julie Henry reported on the Administrative Audit she conducted. Besides Conferences and Publications, the most money spent was for Admin, \$22,000 was budgeted for admin and \$27,000 was spent. She discussed the Budgeted vs Spent report, the bottom line being that the budget estimates were off. Herb Upham and Julie Henry had met regarding the budget and offered some recommendations for the 2009-2010 budget. The intent would be to keep the magazine and education strong but to cut back where possible, and reduce the number of face to face Board meetings and to consider another dues increase in 2010, in order to reverse deficit spending and to maintain the organization's fiscal health.

Action Item: all committee chairs and team leaders to get back to Julie with two proposed budgets, one with a comfortable cutback, and one that reflects a tighter budget. After discussion, with no objection, the Treasurer's Report was filed for audit.

Correspondence: Herb Upham presented that he received correspondence regarding the lack of food at the current Spring Conference. This issue was brought before the Spring Conference Committee and they noted that there will be food vendors located on site and that there will be an opportunity for fellowship at the Banquet.

Committee Reports

Membership: Merle Bashor reported that 175 people had paid their dues, 43 of whom were new members. He noted that the classes were our greatest source of new members.

Publication /Web:

Magazine: Paul Quyle stated that the quality of the CBA magazine remains high but that more articles would help. He also related that it is the envy of groups around the world. His research on costs reveals that to add Ads would increase mailing costs. The type of paper we use does not contribute significantly to the cost of the magazine. Changing the size of the magazine would only cost more. The only way to improve costs is to decrease the number of pages.

Archives: Paul Quyle introduced the subject of the archives, that Bob Thompson had kept. He suggested that the CBA, as an organization, accept responsibility for the archives and that a caretaker be designated. He said that it would be a mistake to send it

to the National Metals Museum. His recommendation was that we donate it to the State Library or a University. At Herb Upham's suggestion, Paul Quyle moved that the archive become the property of CBA and that he would recommend an appropriate archival point. Paul Quyle Moved, and Reuel Darling seconded and the motion to take ownership of the archives was approved.

Website: No report was presented.

Library: No report was presented.

Grants: No report was presented.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:01 p.m. and resumed at 1:01.

Education: John Crandall reported on the Instructor Trainings and the Winter Demo's, which were all well attended. He will be giving demo pieces from Henry Pomfret and Daryl Nelson to the Spring Conference Auction.

Election Committee: Merle Bashor reported that 780 ballots were mailed but only 234 were returned by the deadline. Eden Sanders, Joe Koehs, Laura Parker and Merle Bashor were elected to fill the posts of the outgoing Board Members.

Spring Conference Committees:

2009: Julie Henry reported for Lowell Chaput: The demonstrators are all confirmed and contracted, the Caterer is contracted, the web page is up to date, the food vendors are lined up and the publicity is coming along. The budget is based on 350 attendees, to be safe, but 400 are expected.

2010: No report was presented.

2011: Ideas were discussed but no one has come forward to be conference chairman.

Finance Committee: No report was presented.

Safety Committee: No report was presented.

Old Business:

A) Automatic dues payment. Julie stated that right now is not the best time, perhaps in a year or two. There was discussion about a lifetime membership, an idea that had been presented before. Eden Sanders, Merle Bashor and Julie Henry to bring a plan to the next meeting.

B) Paul Quyle had nothing new to report about Bumper Stickers.

New Business:

A) John Crandall reported that he would like to be relieved from secretarial duties. Anyone interested should talk to John Crandall.

Comments and Questions:

A) Eden Sanders presented information about the Australian Leaf Project.

B) It was mentioned that ABANA will be putting together a memorial for Tom Clark. It will be installed in his wife's garden.

Eden Sanders moved, Julie Henry seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:32.