



Board of Governors Report

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District: Northern California

1. Technical Highlights: Winter Meeting held at Rubicon Brewing Company, Technical Presentation: "Barrel Dwellers: The Microbiology in Barrel Aged Beers" by Karl Ockert, MBAA Technical Director. Currently 233 members in district. Total of 98 people registered.

2. Business Meeting Updates: Sponsors for the meeting included American Tartaric Products (\$750) and Great Western Malting Co. (\$750). The proceeds will benefit the district scholarship fund. We processed 34 membership forms during the meeting. I believe 29 were new members and 5 were renewals. New credit card reader in use for district. We were in the red \$416 for the meeting not counting the sponsorship money.

District Northern California, District Southern California, and California Craft Brewers Association are joining together to host California MBAA Technical Conference. The conference is scheduled for October 24-25, 2014 in Paso Robles. Firestone-Walker Brewing Co. will host.

3. Best Practices to Share: August 9th we are planning on an MBAA social. Lagunitas Brewing Company is hosting.

4. Challenges: Volunteerism.

5. Election of Officers:

The current term for the District Executive Committee will end this fall. We will be seeking nominations for people interested in participating. Please remember that the Master Brewers Association of America is an all-volunteer run organization.

6. Scholarship Activities:

Of the \$3500 allotted for 2013 scholarships, \$3445 will be paid out. For 2014 \$2500 was allotted for general scholarships. Additionally, there is a single award for \$1000 to travel to the MBAA National Meeting in Chicago this June. For the first time, the District is offering a full-ride scholarship to any of the three MBAA courses (Brewing and Malting Science, Brewery Packaging Technology, or Brewery Engineering and Utilities). There are two scholarships available to professional members to pay registration fees for the California MBAA Technical Conference scheduled for Fall 2014. There is also a single full-ride scholarship for a MBAA student to attend and present at the California MBAA Technical Conference.

3. Executive Committee Action: (check as appropriate)

No Executive Committee action required

Executive Committee input is requested (please explain) Reduce course costs lower than current \$50 for being an MBAA member.

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BOG recommendations to the Executive Committee