

District NW MBAA Business meeting meeting minutes

October 4, 2013

Capital Theater/4th Street Theater, Yakima, OR

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM, 166th meeting.

Brad introduced the officers and members introduced guests.

Minutes were posted on the web and hence not read.

Treasurer report was read by Tom Shellhammer

Balance 10/01/13 - \$19,800.24

\$1255 loss from Yakima meeting + \$10 gift of OSU Foundation scholarship fund.

Vanguard/Dodge & Cox – not available (was \$11,836 in the spring).

Total = (estimate) \$31,636.

BOG report was presented by Jeff Edgerton

There has not been a BOG meeting yet this year. MBAA District NW is now incorporated in the state of Minnesota. MBAA is a volunteer organization so if any member wishes to volunteer at a national level and/or a local level. Jeff asked for people interested to be part of the Executive Committee to contact him to be considered for the election in the spring.

Karl Ockert made a presentation about current activities of MBAA at a national level. See his presentation slides on the MBAA District NW website

Hop report was presented by John Gorman

2013 crop – a mixed bag. In fact two growers are still harvesting today. Warm in the spring and then wet – things are slow to start. There was some demand on the Cascade crop based on rumor that Heineken was going to use it in Heineken Light. But that rumor has passed and prices have come down. There is not enough acreage. Brewers should talk with growers/dealers/suppliers to inform them of their future demand so that brewers will have supply. Please plan and communicate. Your hop supplier wants to be your partner. There are more new varieties coming on line – 20 new ones in the second Hop Companion.

Karl Ockert asked about mildew pressure. John says that it is very bad now, particularly on Summit (the latest ripening variety).

Jeff Edgerton asked about alpha versus aroma. John says that CTZ's are being replaced by higher priced aroma hops. Same thing goes for Willamette. Growers are switching to hops that are more profitable.

Malt report was presented by Darren Smith, RMI Analytics

Global barley has been growing. 120 million MT 2 years ago and now it is at 140 million MT globally. Canada – the Canadian crop was late but came off well. Protein is 10.5-

11.0. Yields were excellent, up 10-20%. There is an abundance of barley – 9 million MT. In the US, drought stress has raised protein to low 12%. 4.7 million MT produced. Europe – things look good there. Southern hemisphere – Australia 9 million MT projected. Argentina is off a bit due to export tariffs. Overall, prices will be down which means future acreage will be down too. Go long on barley.

Scholarship report was presented by Joe Casey
\$1000 for education related to brewing. We have one scholarship awarded to Aaron Gibbs who will go to Davis to take part in the Master Brewers Program. Going forward we will two requirements: 1. Applicant must be a member longer than 1 year. 2. No back-to-back awards. We are currently making 1 \$1000 award a year.

Membership report was presented by Joe Casey
The district has 284 members. We are the largest chapter in the MBAA. We are 9% of total US membership and 11.5% of the International membership. We inducted 13 new members.

Publicity report was presented by Doug Hindman
Doug reminded that all of the presentation materials from previous meetings are captured on our website. Help spread the word about future (and past) meetings. We also be putting a list of vendors who attended on the Recap section of our page.

Technical Committee report was presented by Brian Faivre
Thank you to the Tech Committee members. Survey from last meeting gave us great feedback. We will have an extended break this afternoon and we have food this afternoon...both in response to the survey. Hood River meeting topic is leaning toward safety, food safety, HAACP.

New Business

Spring meeting – May 2 & 3, Hood River Inn. Double Mountain will serve as host. Christina LaRue did an excellent job on this meeting and will continue serving in the role for an indefinite period. The host brewery is more about hosting the hospitality on Friday evening.

Fall 2014, tentative November 7 & 8 meeting will be hosted by Worthy Brewing Company.

Spring 2015, tentative May 1 & 2 in Hood River. We are looking for a host brewery.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:01 PM.