

MBAA District-Milwaukee meeting

Location: Minhas Craft Brewery in Monroe, WI

Date: 1/20/2011

Start: ~6:45

End: ~7:25

Officers Present:

- Kris Kalav
- Mike Scanzello
- Randy Thiel
- Tom Volke
- Gretchen Kalav
- John Kretsch

Officers Absent:

- Andy Jones, Mary Pellitieri & Penny Pickart

Kris called the meeting to order and welcomed everybody to Minhas Craft Brewery. Extended hearty thanks to Minhas Craft Brewery President, Gary Olson, for his generous hospitality & skills behind the draft towers.

Secretary's report (Randy Thiel substituting for Andy):

- Presented the minutes from the previous meeting which were seconded and accepted.

President's report (Kris Kalav):

- Tonight is our Membership Drive meeting.
- All guests received an application for membership to the MBAA & had their dinner comp'd for the evening.
- About a dozen guests attended. Hopefully, we will gain a dozen new members!

Treasurer's report (Tom Volke):

- Recap of November meeting at Lowell Center:
 - 22 attendees
- Checking account is at \$2,800
- CD's at \$23,583 with an increase of \$1,700 that helps off-set last year's loss of \$2400.
- Report accepted & 2ndd.

P.R. report (Jerry Hilton & Gretchen Wilson-Kalav):

- Request to give Gretchen any updated email addresses to ensure notification of upcoming meetings.
- Minutes will be uploaded to District website as they become available.
 - Please refer to District minutes for many of your frequently-asked-questions!

Arrangements report (John Kretsch):

- 29 bus riders tonight!

- March 17th meeting (St. Patty's Day) will be at Delafield Brewhaus. Our annual Old Timers meeting. As per tradition, Corned Beef & Cabbage will be on the menu.
- The May 19th meeting location is yet to be determined.

Membership report (Gretchen):

- Latest membership info from Cheryl at SciSoc should be received soon.
- Our free membership award from 2009 is apparently still available as it was not utilized at the 2010 CBC hospitality suite.
 - Will raffle it off to members that attend the March 17th meeting at Delafield Brewhaus.
- Super fresh members at tonight's meeting, representing the malting industry:
 - Ron from Briess Malting
 - Western Vogds from Cargill/Sheboygan
 - Aaron Eernisse from Malteurop

District Governor report (Mike Scanzello):

- *The Communicator* will be coming out monthly.
 - New features & more interactive. Watch for it soon.
- MBAA Packaging Course is filling up fast. Get registered soon, if you haven't already!
- Call for papers for MBAA national meeting (Minneapolis, MN. Oct. 13th-15th).

Old business: none.

New business:

- Discussed support for MBAA hospitality suite at this year's CBC (Craft Brewers Conference) in San Francisco.
March 23rd -26th, 2011.
 - Hospitality suite being spear-headed by National Membership Chair, Rebecca Jennings.
 - We are not sure if District Northern California is involved.
 - Presently, the suite will be at the Clift Hotel, ~1 block from CBC site. Rebecca will move it to CBC site if opportunity arises.
- **Motion:** Jerry Hilton: To reciprocate support for MBAA membership initiatives at the CBC, made motion to **donate \$500 from District Milwaukee** towards the hospitality suite.
 - Motion 2ndd and unanimously approved.

Other notables:

- Past district president, Tim Stover, was in attendance this evening.

No technical presentation for tonight in lieu of making time to view exhibits in the Haydock Museum.

The meeting was adjourned & dinner was enjoyed at Turner Hall.