

District Meeting Minutes

Jan. 12th, 2017

Winter Conference Radisson Hotel, Kalamazoo, MI

President: Paul Popa called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM. He asked for the minutes from the last meeting to be approved. Ken Belau motioned for the minutes to be approved and minutes were approved.

Paul asked Roy Johnson the National President to speak for the MBAA national. Roy mentioned he was at the Bell's meeting and it was a great meeting and that District Michigan has a strong and healthy district. He is going to try to attend as many local district meetings as possible and wants the relationship between local districts and national to continue to grow stronger. Roy then mentioned that John Palmer had been hired as editor in chief of the TQ (technical quarterly) and to look for good things to come with the TQ. He also mentioned the International Hop and Flavor Symposium in Yakima July 25-28th.

Paul then mentioned we are transitioning our district Board members with our Vice President Debbie Smith stepping up to President and our Secretary John Stewart moving to Vice President. Ken Belau will remain as Treasurer and John Mallet will remain the BOG representative. The vote for the new secretary was between Kim Schneider and Tim Gossack was a tie. Paul had both Kim and Tim talk briefly about themselves and a vote was taken and Tim won the vote (36 to 27) becoming the new Secretary for District Michigan.

Treasurer Report: Ken Belau gave the treasurer report
We have a good amount of money in the bank and our finances are looking good. Money for scholarships and speakers is available. Our biggest expenses are Insurance, scholarships and dues to National. Our income is through district dues (\$3,400) and the summer social (\$8,400)

He then read off our account balances:

Chase Checking =\$32,672.47

Paypal=\$1128.72

Cash=\$110

John Mallet motioned to have the Treasurer's report accepted. Motion was approved.

Vice President: Debbie Smith

Summer Social is July 8th at Grand Ledge.

This is the money maker for our district and we need to focus on getting brewers there. We will be sending emails for volunteers for the social and confirming at the March meeting.

BOG Report: John Mallet

BOG had not met since the last District Michigan MBAA meeting. Technical director Mark Sammartino is stepping down and Tech director position being filled by John Palmer and Susan Welch to make transition to new Tech director as smooth as possible. Lots of web information from MBAA available. Check MBAA podcasts and webinars and MBAA emails. Debbie Smith then mentioned she is working with national on getting our past presentations posted on our district website as well. .

Scholarship Committee Update: Brad Stevens gave the scholarship committee update. Brad read the deadlines for the scholarships and encouraged members to apply.

Packaging application due by Feb 1st

Engineering by June 1st

Brewing and Malting by Aug 1st

Brian Roeters, who won a scholarship to the Brewing and Malting science course, said he had a great time and learned a lot at the course and thanked everyone for the chance to go.

Technical Committee update: Louwrens Wildschct and Alec Mull

Alec mentioned he really believes the value in MBAA membership is in the educational opportunities by bringing in good speakers and to email him or Lou with topics that you would like to learn about.

Old Business: No old business

New Business:

Next meeting at Brew Detroit on Thursday March 23rd.

John Burtta volunteered the Fall meeting Oct. 19th to be at Grand River Brewing in Jackson, MI

Paul thanked the MBAA and the brewer's guild and said he was grateful for his time as MBAA President. The room thanked him for his service (thank you Paul) and he passed the position of President on to Debbie and closed the meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM

Upcoming Meetings:

MBAA District Michigan Spring Meeting 2017 March 23rd, Brew Detroit

MBAA National Meeting Oct. 12-14th Atlanta, Georgia

MBAA District Michigan Fall Meeting 2017 Oct. 19th, Grand River Brewing

Members in Attendance:

Paul Popa	Brad Stevenson	Tom Parker
Ken Belau	Jason Heystek	Edward Stencil
John Stewart	Josh Stewart	Kim Schneider
Debbie Smith	Justin Stewart	Jeff Eddington
Valarie Pickard	Jared Vosler	Jason schlaff
Brian Kuszynski	Beau Loncharte	Kevin D Payne
Tim Lozen	Micah Cawley	Ben Duffy
Larry Bell	Scott Graham	Ryan Kramer
Jason Ley	Dan Buonodono	Dereck Stepaneli
Marty Rapnicki	Pete Sanford	Nicholas LaVelle
Daniel Rogers	James Hilligan	Walker Modic
Konrad Connor	Brian Roeters	Jeff Carter
Bill Wamby	Dave Ringler	Brian Confer
Bob Bonga	Araon Trapp	Bryan Bastow
Chuck Brown	Sam Waite	Luke Chadwick
Rob Clapper	Kyle Kaligz	Nathan Schroeder
Jamie Peters	Wade Begrow	Brian Wilson
Joe Rudnick	Patrick Areus	Ed Ruble
Alec Mull	Brad Etheridge	Jacob Derylo
Fred Scheer	Justin Riopelle	Rob Stevens
Roy Johnson	Richard Chestnut	Chris Mitus

Mike Strazdas

Josh Benn

Jackson Allen

Glenn Blodgett

Jesse Rose

Kevin Stuchell

Andrew Heyboer

Mike Alsup

Don Bialik

Louwrens Wildschlit

Matthew Brower

Tim Gosszck

Brandon Roche

Matt Yohe

Dan Kiplinger

John Burtka

Angie Williams