Wisconsin Pottery Association Business Meeting Minutes Tuesday, 9 October 2012

Business Meeting Attendees: Michael Waidelich, Pres

Jeff Tagliapietra, Vice Pres David Knutzen, Treasurer Heidi Hahlen, Secretary

Jim Tyne Christine Boone Jim Riorden Sandy Lincoln Betty Knutzen Barb Huhn Ellen Tyne

President Michael Waidelich called the meeting to order and distributed an agenda.

David Knutzen, Treasurer reported that the 10/9/12 balance in the checking and savings accounts is \$10697.81. The first payment is due to the Alliant Center by 10/20/12 for the 2013 Annual Show & Sale.

Heidi Hahlen, Secretary reported that there are currently 54 members and 2 life time members. Jim T. had recommended that 3 people who have been helping during the last couple of annual shows be given a complimentary one year membership to WPA. After a motion and second, the vote was unanimous. Heidi will send Sue Hoppe, Joleen McKoon and Paulette Floyd an email informing them of this complimentary membership. (Jan – Dec 2013). The deadline for the next WPA newsletter is January 15, 2013.

Old Business:

WADA Show:

Michael reported that the WPA exhibit at the WADA show was very successful. With the 3 locked cases, about 130 pieces were well displayed and was compared to the quality of a museum exhibit. There were quite a few attendees who asked lots of questions though no one joined WPA. While there was good attendance, Jim T reported that there were noticeably less than the February WADA show.

Century House Committee:

Michael reported that 2 more copies of the Century House book have been sold. No report as to how the book may or may not be selling at the Century House store. If you have not yet purchased your copy, please bring money to the November meeting or email Michael at lakelandave@sbcglobal.net to make arrangements for him to mail it to you.

2013 WPA Annual Show & Exhibit

We picked up where we left off with last month's discussion of the exhibit hall set up and decided that next year's show & sale will be set up in the Alliant Center's larger Mendota Hall and in the Atrium. Jim passed around his diagram of dealer table layout with single table dealers and the exhibit (3 locked cases) set up in the Atrium. Chris Swart has volunteered to coordinate the 2013 exhibit featuring Roseville Pottery. It has been 13 years since Roseville was featured so everyone agreed that plenty of time has passed. We acknowledged that while no other exhibit themes were discussed, it doesn't make sense to disregard this offer. He will borrow pottery pieces from the Riordans, Knutzens and others. This will allow us to have the 2013 show cards ready by January so they can be more widely distributed than in recent years.

2013 Monthly Meeting Presentation:

Jim R, David & Betty K and Barb Huhn will meet during the next month to begin developing the 2013 speaker program calendar. The June meeting will again feature Steve Schoneck, Christine Boone will be rescheduled for May and it was suggested that the October meeting be a road trip for a local art tour, such as the event in which Steve Hintze participates. Anyone with a presentation idea is asked to forward your suggestion to any of the program committee members.

November 2012 Meeting

The next monthly business meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, with the business meeting to begin at 5:30. This month's presentation features John Magon celebrating Haeger Pottery, so we hope to see you there. Don't forget to bring something for the show & tell.

2012 Holiday Meeting

Ho ho ho... I can hear the laughter now as everyone opens their white elephant gift so start looking that special find to pass on. Please plan on joining your fellow pottery lovers for our annual holiday potluck, **Tuesday**, **December 4 beginning at 6 pm**. Please bring your best dish to pass and your choice of drink. As usual, the hot sandwich entre will be provided as well as the paper plates, napkins and silverware.

The next deadlines for the WPA Newsletter: January 15, 2013, April 15, 2013. Please email Ori-Anne Pagel at newsletter@wisconsinpottery.org with any show dates, articles or pictures for her to include in the next newsletter.

It's that time of year again – membership renewal for January through December 2013 is due. Please bring cash or your checkbook to the November meeting. A single membership is \$20 and a couple membership is \$30. If you would prefer to renew your membership by mail, please send it to: WPA, PO Box 705, Madison, WI 53701.

Keep in mind, if you joined or renewed your membership since July 2013, your current membership is already good through December 2013 so you do not need to renew at this time. If you have any questions about your membership, please email me.

See you November 9!

Thank you,

Respectfully submitted by Heidi Hahlen, WPA Secretary hshahlen@tds.net 608-712-9335 (cell)