## Wisconsin Pottery Association Business Meeting Minutes Tuesday, 4 December 2012

Business Meeting Attendees: Michael Waidelich, Pres

Ellen Waidelich Jeff Tagliapietra, Vice Pres **Dorothy Russ** David Knutzen, Treasurer Betty Knutzen Heidi Hahlen, Secretary Barb Huhn Jim Tyne Ellen Tyne Ellen Wolowic Pat Wolowic Terrance Gilles Tim Brennan Christine Boone John Mathews Jim Riordan Barb Reed

Jeff Tag's g'son

This year's Holiday Party was again relaxing and the food was delicious - just an all around nice time with friends. Jeff Tag's g'son (11 years old?) joined us for the dinner and was great addition to the meeting.

President Michael Waidelich called the meeting to order. The election of officers was completed with the current incumbents agreeing to continue for another year. The slate of officers was unanimously elected. Heidi did announce that this will be her last year as secretary so the office of Secretary will need a volunteer next December.

David Knutzen, Treasurer reported that the balance in the checking and savings accounts is \$10152.81. He also received several dues renewal from members in attendance this evening.

Heidi Hahlen, Secretary reported that there are currently 54 members, 3 complimentary members and 2 life time members. The deadline for the next WPA newsletter is January 15, 2013. Remember, the WPA newsletter is a benefit of membership to WPA so anyone wishing to receive a copy of the newsletter is always welcome to join WPA. She also informed everyone that a "get well' card was sent to Ori-Anne on behalf of the WPA.

## **Old Business:**

## **Attracting New Members:**

Heidi distributed a sample membership she card that she designed and printed on photo paper. She used a photo of 2 Rookwood vases as a background hopefully to entice those interested in pottery. Terrance has a friend who has a printing company so he volunteered to ask him about the cost of printing the card on glossy paper. The goal is to bring quarter page membership cards to the February meeting for everyone to take and distribute during their travels.

## **Century House Book:**

Michael announced that the book is selling slowly, but we've already recouped much of the cost of the book. If you have not yet purchased your copy, please bring money to the February meeting, order one on the WPA website or email Michael at <a href="mailto:lakelandave@sbcglobal.net">lakelandave@sbcglobal.net</a> to make arrangements for him to mail it to you.

2013 Monthly Meeting Presentation: not discussed.

The next deadlines for the WPA Newsletter: January 15, 2013 and April 15, 2013. Please email Ori-Anne Pagel at <a href="mailto:newsletter@wisconsinpottery.org">newsletter@wisconsinpottery.org</a> with any show dates, articles or pictures for her to include in the Winter 2013 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 February 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 2012, 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 February 12th. I'm not sure what the program is or who the speaker is, but come anyways.

Respectfully submitted by Heidi Hahlen, WPA Secretary

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