

## Meeting Minutes - SCW Wood Club General Membership

### From Meeting on October 2, 2018 1pm at SCW Social Hall

- \* Pledge of Allegiance
- \* Approved last month's minutes - motion by member 2726, seconded by 3982, approved by majority voice vote.
- \* Financial Report by Treasurer:  
Roger **Lansberry** verbally informed club about total amounts in checking, savings, lumber sales, and total income. Said total income is up \$13K from last year at the same time, and total expenses are about the same as this time last year. Financial health of the club is strong. If you want details, **see posted budget** or talk to Roger.

#### Old Business:

- \* Picnic is October 16<sup>th</sup> at Beardsley Park starting at 11:30am.  
Ken Brydon needs volunteers to help setup, get beer iced, cook, sell 50/50 tickets, and clean up. We need help starting at the shop at 8 AM to move things to the Park, and help after the picnic to break down tables, chairs, pack up food, and transport things back to the shop. Please see Ken to volunteer.
- \* Lumber Room – Info from Ken Richards:
  - Peterman's requires our Club Card (brown business-like card) to get the club discount. If you need one of these, they are available at the Tool Crib at no cost. Since these cards have changed yearly, these should be all you need. However, it's wise to take your woodshop badge too since it has your picture on it.
  - Ken is looking into getting volume discounts on various lumbers - including some exotics.
- \* Wood samples showing what lumber we have – Bill Ridel's great idea.  
We will ask our special projects team or separate volunteer to create a small display of the various types of lumber we have in our lumber inventory. This display will be outside the room, and include both the unfinished and finished versions of the woods we have. This should help people plan the type of wood they may want to use for various projects when the lumber room is not open.
- \* Gary Rippentrop has graciously volunteered to step into the Training Coordinator position. Although we have instructors for most of the classes listed on our web site, volunteers are still needed for some, and experienced back-up instructors are always great to find. If you have the skills and interest, please talk to Gary so he can add you to his list.

\* Treasurer office remodel - almost finished:

The remodel gives much more room to work on the 3 computers in the office, much more shelf and drawer space, more room for visitors, and a proper wood-shop look to cabinets, shelves, floors and walls. All internal labor was done on this - take a look when you're in.

MANY thanks go to the following people:

- Robert Petrillo for his help with plans and documentation
- Ed Elliott assisted by Dennis Xxx for construction of shelves, drawers, cabinets, & ordering & coordinating delivery & install of much-needed long counter tops.
- Joni & Max Thompson for painting walls & floor, then seal-coating floor.
- Bruce Deffler for his work to move computers, cables, routers, etc ... and keep all operational during the couple of months of the project.
- Roger Lansberry for his ideas, patience, and un-interrupted operation throughout the 2+ month process (he even moved to work from the library for a few days) .
- Everyone else who helped daily.

\* New lathe update:

The Delta lathe we had bought earlier this year through a 3<sup>rd</sup> party, had numerous problems. Several people (Norm Johnson, Jack Meadows, Dave Boulet and others) helped trouble-shoot the problems and work with 3<sup>rd</sup> party & vendor reps to correct flaws ... no repairs worked well. After lots of calls and discussions by Peggy & others, Delta management agreed to send us a totally new replacement at no cost to the club. That was installed today, and the old one was shipped back to Delta. Thank you to the many people who worked so tirelessly on this!

\* Craft Fair update – reminder of Oct 12 cutoff for signup. Craft Fair is Xxxx

Ed Gallardo is working on the details for this fair. We will have a new location & configuration for Woodshop booths. We hope to have about 19 tables of space. We may be set up outside under Rec Center tents, and we're looking into an oval setup where all sellers would be on the inside, and customers around the outside. We may want to make a Woodshop banner - see Ed if you're interested in helping with any of the above, including setup and tear-down.

\* Toy program:

Sally Hamill has graciously agreed to lead the program again this year. Several members have already started, but everyone is welcome to join in. We believe the kids will visit us the first or second week in December, so if you're willing to make any (even one) toy, please get them to Sally by mid-to-late November. As always, creative things for girls are much needed.

\* Use your badge to enter the shop. Here's why:

- It's why we issue badges - to give members access, and restrict non-members from entry.
- It is tied into to our credit program to track volunteer hours which grants shop use.

- The system gives us accountability for who is in the shop - this helps for accident & liability reasons.
- The system tracks the total number of individuals who use the shop daily - this is a required report which goes to the Rec Center staff.

\* Idea for Lathe Committee:

- At the meeting we asked for comments about creating a committee of experienced lathe turners. We need to eliminate the few but serious personal injury accidents we've had in the past year - from new and 'experienced' users. We envision some type of 'certification process' for new and existing members, to help improve and monitor safe lathe use.
- Long-term members explained that such a committee was once active at the club, but fell out of use over time. We don't know if there is any documentation about their work.
- Other clubs which have some good tracking programs about which tools a member is 'certified' to use are the Metal Shop, and the Auto Restoration Club. Perhaps we can model our processes on their basic ideas without major efforts for our team.
- Discussion centered around the benefits of this type of committee, the need to create and document certification criteria, implement processes, in-person monitoring, and ensure committee follow-through / longevity.
- If you are an experienced lathe user, please consider joining in this effort to organize and run this committee. Talk to any board member if you can help.

\* New coffee service.

We installed a new coffee maker which has water directly piped to the machine (no more filling / spilling water from pitchers). It has an in-line water filter, and the company provides us with coffee (caf & de-caf) packets. This machine also has a hot-water dispenser valve for making tea, hot chocolate, instant soups, etc. When you make coffee for the first time, ask others if you need help ... the machine stays on all day so the water reservoir stays hot, but burners can be turned on and off depending on use.

\* Reminder - Weekly Table Cleaning:

- Tables outside library - clean off every Thursday prior to Carvers group meetings.
- All Tables in Assembly room - clean off every Friday prior to Saturday AM cleaning crew.

\* High Recurring Monthly Costs in machine room - Band Saws Blades & Sandpaper:

- Band saw blades. They are very expensive and are getting abused (broken, kinked, twisted, etc) way too often. Adhere to the diagrams attached to each band saw ... they show the size of blade, the curve each blade can cut, and the thickness of the wood allowed. Clean the

blades yourself if they are dirty - use the liquid spray-bottle and metal brush stored on the left side of the big 'log-only' band-saw. We don't want to have to start charging individuals for damage to these blades as we do with the saw-stops ... so use these properly and help curb this high monthly expense now.

- Sandpaper on all power sanders. Don't sand things with high resin or glues which will clog the paper. Press gently - let the grains of sand do their work. This is our highest recurring monthly cost.
- Vacuum Vents - a yellow note has been taped to each sander - reminding you to open the vacuum vent for the sander prior to use, and close the vent after use. On all machines if we close vents after use, suction power is improved for all in-use vents throughout the shop.

\* Orientation Training Idea:

- We are considering adding a 4<sup>th</sup> afternoon to Orientation (long ago there were several days allotted). The intent would be for more in-depth training on the safe use of equipment ... perhaps by asking maintenance team members to show new members more info about how each machine works, and what damage is caused by mis-use.
- We will talk to the Orientation trainers, and the maintenance team prior to implementing this idea, as it would impact both volunteer time, and shop use.

\* Orientation Sign-Up:

- Tool Crib Monitors ... there is a sheet under the plexiglass which tells new members how to register and pay for the class on-line. There should be copies of this sheet in the red 3-ring binder so give one to each person who adds their name to the paper copy of our month-by-month sign-up in the 3-ring. If handout copies are not in the 3-ring, make copies of the one under the plexiglass.
- We would like new members to register & pay on-line, so we are working with our Orientation Coordinator & IT team to better track and implement this idea.

\* New Business:

- Max showed donated blocks which are for use with our Bessy Clamps (the many clamps which have red & black ends with long silver bars ... located in the back corner of the Assembly Room). The blocks are really easy to use, and help make very squared-up picture frames, cabinet doors, etc. Two boxes of these blocks are now hung on the peg-board outside the Treasurers Office. The picture on the box shows how to use 4 for each project.
- Dave Boulet showed how to put on vacuum filter socks for the floor vacuums. These socks act as excellent pre-filters for our ribbed filters, but must be installed correctly to work. If

done right, the time to clean our floor vacuums is reduced by about 80%. Joni Thompson put a lot of effort in shopping for proper material, and sewing these socks, so please keep them installed.

\* Drawing - two people won new Woodshop logo hats.

\* Adjourn - motion to adjourn was made by member 3119, seconded by 3010, approved by majority voice vote.