

Report on Vancouver Island Woodworkers' Guild Meeting of June 13, 2017, including the **Annual General Meeting**.

The meeting was opened at 7:25 pm by President, Neil Bosdet, after the members had an opportunity to socialize over pizza and soft-drinks. Meeting location was Lee Valley View Royal Store.

Annual General Meeting:

Neil called the AGM of the Vancouver Island Woodworkers Guild to order at 7:30 PM. There were 37 members in attendance.

Reports

President's Report: Neil Bosdet

This has been an exciting and productive year for the Guild.

-A special thank you to all of the Executive members who have provided yeoman's service throughout the last year

-The wood recovery program has done well and we have a large inventory in the storage shed. Rein has worked hard at getting our costs for milling and transportation down which will help with our overall returns on the program.

-The library is in very good shape thanks to the efforts of Don. He has created a full catalogue of the books so it is much easier to find a reference to suit almost any woodworking project.

-Wood was delivered to the high schools in the area. That has been very well received

-We have had an amazing program this year and are looking forward to another year of exciting program for the members. Thanks to Geoff and John

-This year saw several shop tours and training programs. They have been excellent and we look forward to more in the coming year. Appreciation to Dany

-Our membership is up and that is thanks to Bruce B for following up with past members and those who have been notified to update their membership.

-Our new web site has been recognized for its excellent design and structure. Bruce T has provided wonderful support and continues to improve the system.

-This year, our treasurer, Frank has upgraded our reporting methodology and now has a complete record of all the Guild expenditures.

-The door prize program has been going well but members need to participate more. Wally has done a great job of getting prizes.

-The Guild was given a trailer for moving wood around. It requires some assistance but should be an asset to the Wood recovery program. Thanks to John T for lining that up.

-We moved to our new premises this year and Lee Valley has been most helpful in getting the Guild settled in our new location. Thanks to Judy for her assistance.

-The Guild purchased 50 folding chairs this year which makes it much more comfortable for members during our monthly presentations. Thank you to Lee Valley for their generous contribution of 50% of the cost of the chairs.

- A special thank you to the Lee Valley staff who assist in setting up the meeting room and getting it back to order after our meeting. Scott Reid has been very helpful in setting up the A/V equipment and getting the chairs organized.

Treasurer's Report: Frank Letchford

- Frank presented the Treasurer's Report, copy attached.
- The current status of the Guild is that there is a Term Deposit of \$11,500.
- The Total Liabilities and Equity for 2016-17 are \$21,787.68
- Motion by Rick Lloyd, seconded by Randy Dahlquist that the Treasurers report be received.
- It was determined at the last Executive meeting that the financial books will be audited by two active members of the Guild.

Membership Report: Bruce Bannerman

- The membership list has been updated showing 150 members
- He is looking at unpaid members.

Web Site: Bruce Thomson

- the new site is working. He has received a lot of great questions
- he is looking for suggestions of improvement and will get those included as quickly as possible

Door Prizes: Neil for Wally Slobodan

- Door prize program has gone well this year. Corporate donations have helped and member participation is essential because this program assist the overall operation of the Guild

Wood Recovery: Neil for Rein Rungas

- The wood recovery program has done well this year
- we are low on saw logs but have a lot of beautiful arbutus in stock
- trying to get trucking and sawing costs down by economizing on getting the wood hauled at one time
- there is one large lot at the mill but we are waiting for more logs before organizing another milling session
- special thanks to the team of Mick and Phil for arranging milling and sales

Library: Don Urquhart

- there are over 350 books in the library
- They are all catalogued and listed on the web site so it is much easier to look up what you want for your projects
- please return books you have out. Others will want to look at them too.

Program: Geoff Burton, John Tucker

- There have been 9 meetings this year and the demonstrations have covered instrument building (2), boat building (1), ship modelling (1), major old home renovation projects (2), pyrography (1), windsor chair building (1), and incorporating glass in woodworking (1).
- preparing for a good program next year

Work Shop Tours: Dany Coulombe

- It has been an exciting year with tours to amazing shops, beautiful homes, and boat building shops.
- The shop demonstrations have been well attended and very well received.
- looking for suggestions for next year to augment the proposed list.

Constitution Revision:

- Rick Lloyd, Past President, introduced the proposed Constitution Revision and reiterated that the information has been passed to the Guild members.
- Motion: Moved by Don Grey, seconded by Chris Dykman
“That the Vancouver Island Woodworkers Guild Constitution be amended to include the position of Secretary as described in the notice of Motion to the Guild members. The Secretary shall be elected by the membership and shall be a voting member of the Guild executive.” – Carried unanimously

Waiver Revision:

- Rick reviewed the proposal to modify the wording of the Waiver to include permission by the signatory to allow the Guild to use images of the person in newsletters, promotion or other activities.
- Motion: moved by Scott Reid, seconded by Chris Dykman
“That the wording of the Guild Waiver form be adjusted to add permission of the signatory for the Guild to use images of that person as noted.” Carried unanimously

Elections: Rick Lloyd chaired the elections portion of the meeting

We were fortunate that enough members had offered their time that we were able to put forward a full slate for election, but for each position members were provided the opportunity to run for a position or to put forward the name of another member they felt might run. There are several elected positions; the newly elected (by acclamation) Executive is:

- President: Neil Bosdet
- VP Membership: Bruce Bannerman
- VP Programs: shared by John Tucker and Geoff Burton
- Treasurer: Frank Letchford
- Secretary: Peter Pinfold

Members of the Executive who provide additional support are:

- Past President: Rick Lloyd
- Wood Recovery: Rein Rungas
- Library: Bruce Thomson
- Webmaster: Bruce Thomson
- Prizes: Randy Dahlquist assisted by Marc Blouin and Don Grey
- Shop Tours: Dany Coulombe

Having no further items for elections, Rick declared that the elections be closed.

After thanking the outgoing Executive members, the President closed the 2017 AGM at 8:50 pm, June 13, 2017

Subsequent to the AGM, the Guild held a Silent Auction of items donated to the Guild or items auctioned off by members. That proved to be a lot of fun and provided good equipment to a lot of members.

Neil closed the meeting at 9:15 PM

This report was prepared by Rick Lloyd, and is to the best of my knowledge an accurate report of the VIWG AGM of June 13, 2017