

**Strait Turners**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting - 2/13/17**

Agenda items:

1. The Treasurer's report was submitted. There was a balance of \$848 for December 2016 and \$1916 for January 2017.
2. Expenditures likely to be required in coming months were reviewed:
  - a. Rent of \$320 would be required for the balance of the eight meetings in 2017. The first 3 months of meetings had been paid already. There would be no meeting in December.
  - b. Insurance would be due in about August (\$425).
  - c. Discretionary items could include:
    - i. A TV monitor for demonstrations during meetings;
    - ii. A rolling 3 shelf cart for the TV to be high enough to be seen well; a simple video camera; lights and a lighting stand.
    - iii. Other items might be needed for demonstrators.

It was agreed that club finances were still fragile and members would be asked to consider donation of the above items if they had such. (Subsequently Jeff Foro donated a 42 inch TV monitor; Rod Barton agreed to make a lighting stand. At the Feb 28 meeting Brian Johnson donated a 10x24 Jet Mini Lathe to be used for classes and for demonstrators as needed.)

3. Harold Meyers emailed letter of resignation from the Board was accepted.
4. Monthly Presenters:
  - a. February's presenter would be Board Member Tom Riette;
  - b. A presenter(s) is needed for March. This was further discussed in the context of the Oregon Symposium (below). The idea was that those attending would make short but detailed presentations, together with hand-out materials as appropriate, of good sessions from the Oregon Symposium.
  - c. The Program Committee members were asked to flesh out a full program for the year in consultation with ideas from the membership and with the Olympic Peninsula Turners and others. The potential use of a video presenter was noted as an option to be researched. The membership would be solicited by email for persons who wished to be on the Program Committee.
5. The Oregon Wood Turning Symposium (mid-March) was discussed. It would be again announced at the February 28 meeting. Car pooling opportunities would be discussed.

6. Club Library. Lee Sharp outlined the ideas he had to collect materials from members wishing to donate DVDs, books, or VHS tapes and how a software system he has researched could be used to track lending of these items. It was agreed that the library was wanted; it could consist of books, magazines (some of which could be available at meetings for members to simply take, or take for a small fee); videos, VHS tapes. One copy of each item per member could circulate for 1 month against a \$5 deposit. Items are to be returned at the next meeting, or mailed in to the librarian if the member cannot attend. Lee agreed to be the librarian for a period of 1 year. Ernie would collect any library materials brought to the next meeting, in Lee's absence. Members would be solicited by email for any items that they wished to donate to the library.
7. Introduction of a Meeting Raffle was discussed. Initially it would be a simple dual-ticket system with each ticket costing \$1. Donated prizes of moderate value (less than \$100) be sought. For the first such raffle Richard would organize it and there would be three prizes – a \$20 Packard Woodworks gift certificate; a Woodcraft pen-making kit with supplies for 6 pens; and a nice piece of cocobolo from the Club's donated stock.
8. The suitability of the Gardiner Community Center lower room was discussed. In view of the large attendance at the first meeting (> 40) the room was quite full. All Board members were asked to look at the upper room with a view to its possible use in the future.
9. Club Logo and related items like membership cards was discussed. No submission had been received and Pat Hale reported that she did not bring any designs to the meeting. Ernie showed a couple of designs he had received from others. Jeff Foro volunteered to lead an effort to quickly review and propose new designs for approval at the next Board meeting.