

Minutes
CBA BOARD MEETING
March 31, 2006
Spring Conference
Exeter, California

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by President Toby Hickman.

II. ATTENDANCE: Board members present, Pat Laughlin, Joe Koches, Bill Roberts, Toby Hickman, Georg O'Gorman, Dave Vogel, Anastatia Waterfield, Eden Sanders Editor & approximately members were present.

III. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:

III. MINUTES: The minutes were approved as corrected.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT: Pat handed out Lowell's report. The board looked it over and will wait for Lowell at the next meeting.

V. CORRESPONDENCE: Carl Bloomfield resigned from the board. Jennifer Laughlin was approved by the board to replace Carl. The Metal Museum wrote us a thank you for our donations to the museum. We do have a membership and they also included tickets for the museum. Anyone going to the museum please request tickets from Pat Laughlin. ABANA also sent a thank you letter for our support to the hurricane relief fund. A blacksmith shop space is available in San Juan Capistrano. We have a request to help us find an archivist for the California Blacksmith. Eden was given the letter and will take care of it. Paul Quyle has our complete set of newsletters.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. MEMBERSHIP: We have 1079 members. We will have new membership application made before the next year. Dues will be \$35 no matter when you join. Pat will prepare the liability release form.

B. MAGAZINE: Joe Koches brought up editing the articles and making changes without the author proofing the revisions. The library list will be published in the next issue.

C. WEB SITE: Bill Roberts got the agenda up but not within the time frame. We are going to have to put up a generic agenda even if it is not complete at the time needed. We need to establish a deadline 600 ahead of the meeting. Bill needs help with the web page, we will advertise for some help to update the web page.

D. LIBRARY: No report The library list will be published in the next issue.

E. GRANTS: No report.

F. MEMORIAL FUND: This will be taken off of the committee reports and we will monitor the fund on an annual basis as we are still collecting funds without making distributions.

G. EDUCATION: Herb thanked the instructors who are teaching here at Exeter. Next instructors workshop will be May 6 & 7 at Weaverville. We are working on an Haberman demonstration after his appearance at the Abana Conference. Also in the works is Adrian Logge workshop at McElhairs shop in Loomis. We have a few new workshops in the works. These will be announced once they are ready to accept students.

H. ELECTION COMMITTEE: No report.

I. CONFERENCE 2007: Joe announced the 2007 shirt design. The conference is coming

Along nicely.

J. Conference 2006: It is going along and we are doing it. We are getting more people to the lunch meals. This caterer has been really great, both in food and service.

JK. FINANCE COMMITTEE: The finance committee recommends that we close all checking accounts except the primary account. A discussion was held. The finance committee will reconsider the recommendation and an email vote will be done to establish just a primary account and a secretary's account.

IL. SAFETY COMMITTEE: The safety committee does not have nor does it want a Budget. Each event will be responsible for supplying the needed safety equipment.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Thank you to outgoing board members. The retiring board members were thanked and Pat will send them a thank you for service certificate.
- B. Election Results: Julie Henry, Bret Martin, Russ Bearrows, Joe Koches were elected to the new board.
- C. Conference 2006: Chris will need information on setting up the budget and conference guide, Bill will email the Petaluma budget and conference guide as well as an updated one after the conference. Chris Dery will be the conference chair. He will have a preliminary budget and information by spring conference.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Installation of New Board Members: The board moved to accept the election results and installed the new board.
- B. Election of Officers: Herb Upham was elected president. John McLellan was appointed Vice President, Lowell Chaput was reappointed as treasurer, Pat Laughlin was reappointed as Secretary. The board approved the appointments. Herb will look at filling the committee chair positions. The committees will be announced at the next meeting.
- C. Magazine Ad Policy: Eden handed out a policy. The board discussed many possibilities. Eden is opposed to advertising in the magazine. It was discussed that an ad person would be paid a percentage of the advertisement cost. The purpose to add advertising to the magazine is to enhance the magazine and make it better. No decision was reached.
- D. Conference 2008: Dave Vogel made a presentation for Vista as the 2008 conference site. The board approved the site.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Laughlin

Pat Laughlin, Secretary

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Minutes
CBA Membership Meeting
April 11, 2006
Spring Conference
Exeter, California

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Herb Upham

- II. **ATTENDANCE:** Board members present, Pat Laughlin, Joe Koches, Bill Roberts, Toby Hickman, Georg O'Gorman, Dave Vogel, Anastatia Waterfield, Merle Bashor, & Eden Sanders, Editor and approximately 275 members were present.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS:** Herb introduced the board of directors to the membership.
- III. **THANKS YOUS:** Outgoing board members were thanked, as well as the conference committee, caterer, and the membership. The City of Exeter, Veterans Hall and Sierra Fire and Forge were thanked for their hospitality.
- IV. **COMMENTS FROM THE MEMBERS:** The members stated the conference was a success and the food was great. Announcements were made regarding the 2007 Conference in Ferndale and the 2008 Conference in Vista.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm
Respectfully submitted,

Pat Laughlin

Pat Laughlin, Secretary
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