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Officers and Board members:

Miguel de Los Rios: President
Paul Boulay: Vice President
Victoria Ritter: Treasurer
Craig Litwin: Secretary

Board Members

- Celeste Flores
- Dan Perkins
- Gary Standke
- Jeff Hunter
- Eric Chang
- Greg Hudgins
- Michael Suwczinsky

*Indicates absent

Guests:

Mike Mumford

AGENDA

- 1. Attendance and Agenda
 - a. Attendance Craig Litwin, Secretary
 - a. Roll: Board Members (11) Guests (1)
 - b. Additions to the Agenda Miguel de Los Rios
- 2. Approval of Minutes Craig Litwin
 - a. INFORMATIONAL: Approval of Board Meeting minutes of May 19, 2020 done via email vote.
- 3. Officer's Reports
 - a. President's Report
 - Commendations given to Board and committee members for stepping up and organizing more, and participating in their committee efforts.

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- ii. Forward looking and planning required for upcoming events, but safety is a major concern that we have to prioritize for our membership.
- **iii. ACTION-** Craig to create a calendar of committee meetings and share with the Board
- b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Budget is being updated monthly in a shared Drive
 - 1. ACTION- Check access to shared Drive
 - ii. Without events this year we expect a \$7k loss
 - Treasurer creating a budget showing varying degrees of attendance for Board review

4. Committee Reports:

- a. 2021 Spring Conference Committee
 - i. Chair: Dave Carroll
 - ii. Dave Carroll and Miguel have been discussing what may happen, are creating outdoor space for safer learning in order to have adequate room. Vista Forge will need an \$8-10k fee for the facility, or they may waive the fee if we keep the art items on site.
 - **iii. ACTION-** Jeff to check in with Vista Antique Steam Engine Museum on this potential offer
 - iv. **ACTION-** Board will require that we review the financial impact of this potential arrangement
- b. Merchandise Committee
 - i. Jeff, Gail, Dan
 - 1. Seven t-shirts have been sold and shipped
 - **2. ACTION-** Jeff to announce the shirt offering once a week
 - 3. **ACTION-** Craig to consider how to pitch the membership on shirt sale opportunities, and consider how to integrate in other member communication offerings.
 - **4.** \$7-8 cost per custom CBA facemask, a small item that could help with events and branding.
 - **a. ACTION-** Miguel and Jeff to consider this expense and report back on action taken
- c. Magazine Committee
 - i. Editor-Mike Mumford

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- 1. Octoberfest; we do not know how many people will be allowed. Purportedly a smaller number of registrants will be allowed this year. Fritz is excited to have the event again.
- 2. Magazine production status
 - a. On schedule, and will include a fundraising remittance envelope as an insert.
 - b. Saturday is the next work day on the web magazine offering.
 - c. Online edition is 59 pages.
- 3. Special reopening issue approval to proceed
 - a. One handout from each of ten providers
 - i. ACTION- Craig to work with Mike on a reopening email-newsletter
- 4. Statement of work for layout/production support service
 - a. Mike will begin the RFQ/RFP to potential contractors.
- d. Website Committee
 - i. Mike, Julia, Paul
- e. Membership and Fundraising Committee
 - i. Craig and Paul
- f. New Sources of Revenue
 - Jeff and Celeste
 - 1. Ebay piece, and reported above
 - 2. Brainstorming session has begun
 - a. ACTION- list of potential new sources of revenue to be presented to Board before next meeting for discussion and possible action
- g. Marketing Committee
 - i. Needs Chair
 - ii. **ACTION-** Miguel to follow up with his colleague to see if he can help us out
 - **iii. ACTION-** Miguel to send out poll questions to the top of Board's box. Craig and Paul to work to finalize the poll. All Board members invited to participate.
- h. Education Committee
 - i. Dan Perkins / South ed Chair
 - 1. Things have slowed down, but we are still working on policies

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- 2. Videos are being created to offer our membership modern educational opportunities, and to address many folks still sheltering in place.
- i. Safety Committee
 - i. Needs Chair
- i. Grants committee
 - i. Chair: Beth
 - 1. **ACTION-** Miguel to ask Beth about maintaining chair of the grant's committee. Ask about any support needed as well.
- k. Finance Committee
 - Don Neufield (retired CPA and blacksmith, Miguel, Victoria, Greg Hudgins, and Kristen Fox
 - Budget recommendations were considered, such as appropriateness of keeping money in our investment account
 - a. Market considerations were balanced with cash flow needs
 - i. Edward Jones account has approximately \$41k
 in it, but the volatility of the market is a significant consideration.
 - 1. Do we liquify and go to cash?
 - 2. What are the impacts from this move?
 - b. Committee to meet next week to finalize some decisions, take action as part of the operational oversight duties, and report back on actions taken.
- 5. Old business
 - a. None
- 6. New Business:
 - a. New teaching forges, a resource to expand our reach
 - i. Review of groups who have reached out to CBA
 - ii. Grants from CBA for said forges, to help with hammers and other tools
 - 1. Delayed until we are in a better financial position
 - 2. ACTION- the four forges who want to start up, what can we do to help.
 - iii. Condolence card to Shirley Upham

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- ACTION- Craig to send a condolence card on behalf of the CBA Board and organization
- iv. Educational piece for the curriculum
 - 1. ACTION- Gary, Dan and Miguel to meet
- b. Roaring Camp
 - Decision expected by early July regarding the status of Roaring Camp.
- c. Level information for CBA
 - i. **ACTION-** Gary and Miguel to have separate call to bring forward a semblance of a plan, and to offer a checklist for different forges to be able to follow, and specifically the technique.
 - 1. This will help distinguish level one from level two, and answer students questions as to how they can proceed with earning their levels.
 - **2. ACTION-** Dan and Miguel to send their lists to Gary for follow up integration efforts
- 7. Correspondence:
 - a. None
- 8. Open Time: Comments and Questions:
 - a. None
- 9. Next BOD meeting
 - a. August 19th 7-830
- 10. Move for adjournment
 - a. **MOTION-** Miguel moves for adjournment and Victoria seconds, passes unanimously

Adjourned: at 8:38pm