Nova Woodturners Guild

Annual General Meeting

Date: June 21, 2021 - Zoom Meeting platform (online)

The Annual General Meeting of the Nova Woodturners Guild was called to order by President Gary Landry at 7:03pm with 13 members present.

1. Agenda:

The Agenda for the AGM was presented and approved. Motion Gary Landry; Seconded Dave McLachlan—approved.

2. 2020 AGM Minutes:

The minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting were read. No additions or corrections were raised. Motion to Accept the 2020 AGM Minutes as presented Calum Ewing; Seconded Gary Landry – approved.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

- Bill Maes pointed out that a number of successful turning challenges were held over the year, and some of this activity was covered in an article in the Chronicle-Herald
- Members were also reminded that several members supported the local Beirut Relief fundraising auction by donating pieces for sale.

4. Reports:

a. President's Report

President Gary Landry read his annual report on the 2020-21 year. Gary's report was previously circulated by email. Highlighted items:

- Gary has all but one of the items previously submitted for the competition in his care, one member retrieved his entry for safe keeping
- Gary corrected the spelling of Harvey Meyer's name in the circulated report

Gary Moved Acceptance of the President's Report; Seconded by Bill Maes – approved.

b. Treasurer's Report

Dave McLachlan distributed his 2020-21 Financial Report for the Guild:

- The Guild has had significant revenue shortfall on the 202-21 budget, due largely to a decrease in membership dues with 38 paid members, down from the anticipated 45. The total Dues revenue was \$1520. There was no competition revenue.
- Expenses were up significantly:
 - a. the Insurance policy costs increased from \$725 to \$1056. The membership portion of the costs increased to \$725 from \$625
- There were no social event (BBQ, Christmas Social) expenses

- Total Revenues: \$1820.00

- Total Expenses: \$1976.11

- Net (Loss) (\$156.11)

Chequing Account: Opening Balance: \$5725.58

Closing Balance: <u>5569.47</u>

NET -156.11

- Savings Account: Opening Balance: \$2086.93

Closing Balance: 2101.99

NET 15.06

- Balance for the Year (Loss) -141.05

Dave then presented the 2021/22 Budget:

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- Due to current health restrictions and not being able to meet in person, we are projecting membership to be down a bit, at 38 members with membership revenues at \$1800
- We are estimating additional costs for running two competitions within the same year to get back on the normal schedule
- We are budgeting costs for one IRD at some point in the year
- There is some savings from not having a summer BBQ social of approximately \$100
- The projected balance in the 2021-22 budget is a deficit of \$410. With a current balance in the bank of over \$5000, the Guild should be able to easily withstand such a loss in the coming year.

Dave Moved Acceptance of the Financial Report as presented; Seconded by Dianne Looker – approved.

c. Appointment of Auditors

- As an audit for the previous year has not been completed at this point, Dave McLachlan proposed doing an audit of two years in one step and proposed the auditors appointed last year (Brian Sharp and Don Shubaly) continue as Auditors
- Motion to appoint Brian Sharp and Don Shubaly as Auditors to do a 2 year audit, pending their approval; Motion Dave McLachlan, seconded Gary Landry
- Robert Atkinson proposed an amendment to the motion granting Dave McLachlan the authority to appoint other auditors if either Brian or Don are unavailable. Motion Dave McLachlan, seconded Gary Landry—approved.

d. Nominations Committee

Bill Maes chaired the Nomination Committee and reported his disappointment in the difficulty getting volunteers to stand for positions. Bill presented the slate of Officers for 2019-20, as follows:

Directors

President vacant

Vice-President Bill Maes

Treasurer David McLachlan

Secretary Calum Ewing

Director at Large vacant

Other positions

Library Chair(s) Jim Diamond & Richard Ford

Newsletter Norm Jolivet

Competition Chair vacant

Membership Chair vacant

Nominations Chair Bill Maes

Website Chair Richard Ford

Fundraising Chair(s) Yogi Gutz & Norm Jolivet

Photographer Chris Palmer

Bill called for nominations for the President, Director at Large or any other positions, making three calls for nominations:

- Dianne Looker nominated Gary Landry as President accepted
- Gary Landry nominated Bill Maes as Competition Chair accepted
- Norm Jolilvet nominated Brian Sharp to stand as Director at Large

Bill Maes moved acceptance of the slate officers as presented; seconded by Dianne Looker – approved.

5. Old Business

a. Dave McLachlan reported that e-Transfers for membership dues are currently being deposited to his personal account. He has checked with the Credit Union and they will accept e-Transfers but will charge a fee of \$1.75 per transfer. Dave is happy to continue receiving e-transfers into his account but wants to make sure the membership approves of this practice. After brief discussion, the consensus is that the members are fine with this situation and have not seen any problems with it.

6. New Business

a. Women in Turning (WIT) Event

Dianne Looker reported that she is participating in the AAW's Women in Turning group's collaboration event this year. 27 teams of participants will be making collaborative projects. Teams have been givn random words as inspiration and the results will be posted on the WIT website. Dianne will post additional information as it becomes available.

b. Updated Competition Forms

Robert Atkinson raised a concern that the revised competition entry forms lack contact information for the entrants (eg. Phone #, email address, etc.). This information is required on the packing boxes but is lacking on the forms where it would be useful for the competition organizers.

Gary Landry will investigate this omission and discuss with the Executive.

7. Adjournment

Gary Landry moved adjourning the AGM; seconded by Calum Ewing. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.