

Wisconsin Pottery Association – Business Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 12 April 2011
Center

The Goodman Community

Business Attendees:

Michael Waidelich Jim Tyne
David Knutzen Ellen Tyne
Heidi Hahlen Steve Dana
Betty Knutzen Tim Zinkgraf
Pete Flaherty

Program Attendees:

Sue Jones Tagliapietra Jeff Tagliapietra
Terence Giles Lila Stahnke
Tim Brennan Bob Stahnke
Barbara Huhn Eileen Wendt
Art Wendt 5 family/students of speaker

Treasurer's Report: David reports that the current balance is \$8574.66 for the 2 WPA accounts.

Secretary's Report: Heidi announced that are 42 members, plus 2 lifetime members. The names of 4 previous members have been removed as they have not yet paid the 2011 dues. She has also contacted the Wisconsin Historical Society for a status report of the revised WPA bylaws submitted to the Wisconsin Historical Society. The annual Wisconsin Historical Society Annual Report has been successfully submitted.

2011 Art Pottery Show: Steve Dana, Exhibit Manager, proposed another new title for this year's exhibit: Pictures on Pottery: Art on American Pottery and China. This exhibit is not restricted to a specific timeline so this will include any American pottery or china that has a picture on it but it would exclude pottery with simple or abstract designs. More information to come during the next meetings, so please attend and lend your expertise and ideas.

Those at the business meeting reviewed the various job responsibilities involved with putting on the annual show. Heidi expressed some concern because 2 of the usual spring meetings have been replaced with road trips (March, Pickard Collection in Janesville, May at The Studio on Williamson Street). When questioning whether we might be behind in the show & sale and exhibit planning, she was assured by the others that everything would fall into place as needed.

Newsletter: The deadline for the next newsletter is April 15, 2011. Please send any articles or member bios to Ori-Anne. Articles can feature your favorite piece of pottery, a recent road trip or educate your fellow members about a historical and contemporary studio potter.

Terrance announced that Shorewood Hills has erected a new building at the corner of University Bay Drive and Marshall Court. They are looking for art exhibits and may be contacting WPA for assistance. More information as it becomes available.

Show & Tell: Heidi took pictures and descriptions of the recent finds and will email them to Ori-Anne for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Tonight's Program: Ceramics Today, presented by Joanne Kirkland, currently an instructor at MATC. She has a studio and kiln in her home and has always drawn her inspiration for her art and pottery from nature around her. Check out the following website for more history and information about Joanne and her years of pottery. <http://www.artisangal.com/artist.php?id=63>

May 10 Meeting: Next month's meeting will be held at The Studio, 918 Williamson Street, Madison, WI. Madison ceramic artists and partners Jennifer Lapham, owner and founder and Paul Sacaridz, Associate Professor in the Art Department at the UW-Madison, direct the Midwest Clay Project, a fully equipped ceramics studio on Madison's east side. Awareness and appreciation of the ceramic arts is at the heart of the facility's mission. Located between the Madison Sourdough Bakery & Cafe and PlanB, specific parking information will be included in next month's meeting reminder.

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi Hahlen
WPA Secretary