

Board Meeting Agenda Thursday, 30 April 2020
MEETING MINUTES IN BLUE

I. Minutes

- i. Review 16 January 2020 minutes

Highlights:

- 1. Tastings Budget went up to \$1300.
- 2. Cost of Wild Apricot vs. Membership (impact of not having meetings in-person)
- 3. Camera Adapter for Microscope to be acquired online
- 4. Rules for sending promotional emails (no further discussion required)

II. Reports of Officers

1. Board Members

- a. Vice- Elizabeth Hargrave
 - i. Nothing to report
- b. 2nd Vice- Jared Urchek
 - i. Absent
- c. Treasurer- Matt Cohen - Treasury Report of New Business #5
 - i. MAW Audit: last 3 years of accounting were reviewed. All 3 are different due to different people managing them. Suggestions are:
 - a. to use a simple accounting system like Quickbooks,
 - b. link Wild Apricot to it,
 - c. have treasurers to stick around for 3 years
 - d. Budget would be \$535 (see details on Treasurer's proposal for laptop, software, etc.)
 - e. The proposal was approved (8-1) with the exception of the 3-year extension tenure for treasurers.
 - ii. PayPal account still pending
 - iii. Treasurer presented his report. 2020 YTD is below budget for obvious reasons. Library will be booked for next semester.
- d. Secretary- Marisol Perez
 - i. Nothing to report
 - ii. Location of uploaded minutes was discussed
- e. Membership- Rick Silber
 - i. People continue to send their membership dues
 - ii. We lost a \$20 check in the mail
- f. Culinary- John Harper
 - i. New venue, church in Silver Spring, was discussed.
 - ii. Alternatives to culinary events (online) were briefly discussed.
- g. Programs- Tom McCoy – On-line option during shutdown
 - i. (William) Monthly Meetings to transition to Zoom Meetings
 - ii. Sequanota status
- h. Forays- Mitch Fournet
 - i. Nothing to report
 - ii. Online ID sessions were briefly discussed due to impossibility to do forays.
- i. Newsletter Editor-Annie Greene

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- i. Topics for Newsletters: Lichens, Morel season, what to look forward for the next season. Sourdough.
- j. NAMA Trustee – Bruce Boyer
 - i. Off the record.

III. Unfinished Business

1. Archival documents (Fournet August 2019)
 - i. John and William to decide what to keep and create an archive.
2. Meeting location options (Wheaton Library)
 - i. Still pending

IV. New Business

1. Advertisements for Sporophore
Establishment of ad size and frequency limits for MAWDC members
 - Acceptability of commercial ads or larger ads (up to one full page) for which there would be a charge (that would go to offset the cost of Sporophore production).
 - The placement of ads by MAW members that are associated with on-going commercial ventures (this would address Jared's question)
 - i. Annie proposed to publish a ¼ page size announcement in the Sporophore offering all members the chance to promote their mushroom related services/products.
 - ii. John Harper suggested that we should use emails instead.
 - iii. Newsletter editor to prepare a proposal to be discussed about price, size, amount of ads for board discussion.
2. Annual Events Calendar on MAWDC Website (Perez/Needham 22 Jan 2020)
 - i. A calendar feature is going to be tested
3. Announcements and Web postings from other organizations – Decriminalize Nature (Rosenberg email of 3 February 2020)
 - i. William prepared a draft email policy for MAWDC to be discussed.
4. Uploading documents to WA with Dropbox (Needham, Perez, Cohen, 3 Feb 2020) and improving the accessibility of files in general and foray announcements (Harper 7 February)
 - i. Dropbox to be phased out.~ Elizabeth and John Harper
5. Treasury report MAW Accounting practices and treasurer's term (Raditz, Cohen 27 February)
6. NAMA second VP nominations (Needham – 10 March)
 - i. No action
7. Educational Grant for research program (Roehl/Needham 20 March)
 - i. Thomas Roehl grant approved
8. Using videos of MAW forays and other events (Perez/Silber) – mostly resolved with Facebook
9. Purchase of Fantastic Fungi video (McCoy – 30 March)
 - i. Approved
10. Amanita book announcement (Needham 20 April)
11. Appointment of new Science Advisor (Needham 25 April)
 - i. William to send an email about candidates (Nathalie & Meghan)

V. Reports of Special Committees, Projects, and Forays

1. Mycoflora Committee (Urchek)
 - i. Absent
2. Social Media Committee (Greene)

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- i. Keep the momentum, maybe create an official subcommittee. Annie to write standard operating procedures.

VI. Adjourn

1. Board Meetings 2020 – 30 July, 29 October

2020 MAW Events

4 February - Tom Bigelow: Crust Fungi

3 March - Emily Bruns: Rust and Smut Fungi

7 April- Natalie Howe: Lichens

5 May - Christopher Smith: Marine Mycology (could also do bat white nose fungus, if preferred)

Note: Fungus in Focus for Cinco de Mayo meeting: Huitlacoche

2 June - John Plishke: TBD

7 July - Shannon Nix: TBD

4 August - Megan Romberg: Rust, Smut, Mildew & Mold Fungi

xx August WV Foray

7 September- ID Meeting; Need someone for Mushroom Basics lecture (Tovi Lehman?)

18 – 20 September Sequanota - Adam Haritan (needs confirmation);

5 October - Michael Castellano: Truffles w/foray the following weekend

8-11 October NAMA Foray

18 October Mushroom Fair

3 or 10 November TBD (Note First Tuesday is election day)

1 December TBD