

APFGA Board Meeting
2020/10/22
Via Zoom platform

- A. Called to Order 1946. Quorum of four board members present: Mark Wolbers, Mark Findlay, Gary Masog, Ben Tietge. Club members attending call: Bart Hawkins
- B. Approved minutes from April 6 meeting. GM 1st, MF 2nd
- C. Treasurer's report from Gary
 - 1. Club finances look solid, two CDs and new membership strong.
 - 2. GM made motion to account for the assets of fruit-press equipment to be represented on the Balance sheet. MF seconded motion. Unanimous approval.
- D. No committee reports
- E. New Business
 - 1. GM suggested for the establishment of an annual, formal review of Club finances, to be performed by a Committee of members, or other directors. This would be for the purposes of general accounting integrity. January was put forth as an option. BT offered to review AK requirements for club asset/internal audits. MW suggested tabling for discussion at next meeting.
 - 2. MW brought up that the BP Energy center remains closed, highlighting the issue of upcoming meetings, and putting forth the prospect of directorship-term modifications or extensions. Due to the scheduled club-elections, there is a the paradox of the club's difficulties to meet and vote, or vote virtually without affecting bylaw changes, while being unable to meet to vote on bylaw changes... After various discussions and suggestions including proxy voting, there seemed to be some agreement that MW would assess directors' interest in their seats, and consider a moderated Zoom meeting for the club, in which attending members' approval or opposition could be expressed and recorded in the text feature of the sidebar.
 - 3. Discussion of future presenters, the perpetual call for suggesting possible presenters, and reaffirmed the precedent that digital presenters would receive compensation within the same parameters as if the meeting were held in person. GM suggested members being invited to discuss anecdotal findings, referencing a roundtable-style of meeting.
 - 4. Discussion of how to handle additional rootstock ordering or interest, in addition to the 1,000 apple rootstock already arranged. Possible survey of member interest in various spp.
 - 5. Discussion of possible in-person grafting workshop in the spring, for members only, in scheduled waves, or via remote access.
 - 6. MF gave an update on website status, including the success of new memberships purchased via web, and the operational classifieds section.
 - 7. Discussion of purchasing a second press, to keep up with the current grinder, due to the noted downtime of the grinder at the pressing events. A second press would double the pace of small-batch pressings for members in the fall. Board seemed divided on whether to get a second press of the same model, or researching and up-sizing to a larger press. Tabled for more research.

Meeting was adjourned at 2132. MW motion, MF 2nd