

Guild of Maine Woodworkers Inc.
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday May 16, 2017

ATTENDANCE: Pat Sunderland, Wes Sunderland, Dell Osman, Bill Lewis, James Siracuse, Vic Hewett, Xavier Comas, Rolf Dries, Ron Boes, Randy Mayes, Ron Hodgdon, Stig Ammentorp and Barbara White.

Opening: The May monthly meeting was held at Dell Osman's shop and started at 6:15 pm. Pat opened the meeting with an update on Expo 2017.

Corrections to last month's minutes: Rent includes janitorial service of \$100 per day. The breakdown is: \$500/day rent + \$100/ day custodial fee = \$1200 total. We do our own cleanup although the custodian/security person(s) will help if necessary.

Expo Updates:

- No deposits or payment in full for the Armory is needed at this time. Full payment will be made by the 1st week of September. We can cancel up until that time. We have 22 committed, 4 have dropped out and 6 have paid. We have 2 maybes.

Expense estimates:

- ~ \$2,000 advertising
- \$300 certificate of insurance
- \$1200 rent
- \$3200 estimate Total

Pat is working on securing additional exhibitors.

A Go/No go decision should be made by July.

- **Website:** Pat has updated the website and it is current. It's being re-designed by her grandson so she can easily maintain. It has an Expo button, additional demo pictures. Pat is also creating a Facebook page and when complete will create an event for the Expo. Guild members can send an invite to the expo to their Facebook friends to help increase our reach.
- **Expo Fee:** Members discussed if we should charge admission. Pat said that some of the exhibitors said we should charge. A discount coupon to be included in our print ads was

discussed. Decision was made to charge a small fee. The fee will be \$2.00 with children under 12 free.

- **Future meetings:** Pat mentioned that May is our last meeting before the Expo. June will be the field trip to Windsor Chair Company in Lincolnville. September is the annual picnic. October is the Expo.
- **Advertising:** Pat is designing an Expo flyer and asked that each member display a flyer in a prominent location in their community. Print advertising includes Shopping Guide, The Phoenix, Portland Press, Forecaster, Windham newspapers and Westbrook Papers.

Other Business:

- The Kennebec Woodworkers Guild is disbanding and has approximately \$400 left in their treasury which they are giving to our guild.
- Our treasury is \$3,000.

Show and tell was provided by Rolf Dries and Wes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara White, Recording Secretary