

Minutes Executive Committee Meeting Tennessee Valley Woodworkers
Tuesday, January 26, 2010
UTSI H111

Present: Tom Cowan, President
Vic Zaccardi, Vice President
Bob Addington, Treasurer
Paul Fulks, Secretary
Louis Bryant, Publicity Chairman
Loyd Akerman, Past President
Anthony Watts, Past Vice President
Doyle McConnell, Advisor
Dick Wollam, Advisor
Henry Davis, Advisor

Tom Cowan Called the meeting to order

Tom stated that the purpose of our meeting was to develop a plan for the club's main activities for 2010. He reminded the committee there were two things to keep in mind while developing plan: 1) out reach and 2) good programs.

Tom e-mailed the following list of discussion items to all committee members prior to the meeting that served as a guide for the meeting.

1. Picnic
2. Turning Bee
3. Fair
4. Christmas Party

5. TVW Club 25th Anniversary Year
6. Seminars
7. Workshop
8. Shop Tours
9. How can we know each other better
10. Dues
11. Programs
12. Library

A calendar was developed listing the known dates of all club activities along with activities in which club members would be involved:

2010 Calendar of Events (gray background indicated events not sponsored by TVW Club)	
March 19-21	NEACA Spring Craft Show, Huntsville Alabama
April 10	Seminar- finish, designs, turning, demonstrations (Paul Fulks Chair, Doyl McConnell)
May 7-10	Dogwood Festival Winchester
May 22	Club Picnic Falls Mill (Chair Felix Rees)
June 18-19	Turning Bee (Chair Johnny Brown)
18th	Classroom instruction, seminars & possibly advanced turning
19th	Turning Bee (participants to rotate between instructors at specific called times)
Sept. 17-19	Polly Crockett Days In Franklin County
Sept. 19-25	Coffee County Fair {TVW Club Shed with display, turning, & carving} (Doyle McConnell Chair)
October	Bell Buckle Craft Fair (October? exact dates not available)
Oct or Sept	25th Anniversary TVW Dinner (Chair Dan Mayher, Karen Browning, Loyd Ackerman, Henry Davis)
Dec. 12	Christmas Party (

Federal Holidays for 2010	
Friday, January 1	New Year's Day
Monday, January 18	Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.
Monday, February 15*	Washington's Birthday
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day
Monday, July 5**	Independence Day
Monday, September 6	Labor Day
Monday, October 11	Columbus Day
Thursday, November 11	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 25	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, December 24***	Christmas Day

Tom mentioned the need for the club to build two pedestals for UTSI.

Member Name Tags: A long discussion was held on how to improve the members use of name tags. The use of sticky (hand printed or computer printed) name tags was a large part of the discussion. Bob Addington suggested that pocket protectors with name tag holders could be a good solution. It was recommended that sticky name tags be made available at each club meeting. One suggestion was that members who failed to wear a name tag be fined 25 cents. Tom appointed Bob Addington to develop, set-up, procur and implement a new system of name tags including having sticky name tags available at each meeting.

Guests and Visitors: Tom encouraged the leadership make a special effort to meet and greet all visitors and quests. The leadership can go a long way toward making these folks feel welcome.

Coffee County Fair Project: A discussion was held on how to improve the club's exposure and program at the fair. It was suggested that the club sponsor a staffed exhibit (with items of furniture, bowls, and etc) in the Women's Building. Door prize tickets could be handed out in the Women's Building however the box to collect the tickets would be located at the TVW Club Building at the far end of the livestock barn. This would require the anyone interested in door prizes to visit the demonstration shed. This technique should increase exposure of the turning and carving activities of the club. Doyle McConnell is going to explore items that could be easily carved and how to implement the fair program.

Shop Tours: Tom noted that Shop Tours are an important part of the club activities. These events create a lot of participation and also cause members to get to know each other better.

Member Pictures: Loyd discussed plans for taking all the members pictures and posting those picture on the web with a link to the membership list. In this way the club can have an online directory without having to print one. It was decided that Chuck, Loyd, Doyle and others could take the pictures at a specific scheduled time (approximately thirty minutes) during a regular club meeting.

Bob Addington

Treasurer's Report: Bob gave a report on the club finances and balance. He changed banks to Manchester to make it easier for him to keep up with the account. He also reported that he had to get an IRS number for the club to give to the bank.

Dues: A long discussion was held on the possibility of raising club dues. The club expenditures and income are balanced which has resulted in very little change in end of year bank balance for a number of years. It was decided that the leadership should look at the dues at the end of the year but no changes would be made for the 2010 dues.

Vic Zaccardi

Programs: Vic made a presentation on the programs that have been finalized for 2010. Tom and Vic asked the leadership to make recommendations or suggestions for programs which they would like to see. A discussion was held on what the club policy should be on providing for expense reimbursement to Program Presenters.

Louis Bryant made a motion that Vic be allotted a \$400 budget to pay expenses of program presenters (excluding commercial establishments) for the 2010 program year as he deems appropriate.

Dick Wollam seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Henry Davis

Library: Henry made a library report. The library continues to be well used by the membership. He also expressed the need for the purchase of additional materials.

Loyd Akerman made a motion to budget Henry Davis \$300 to be used to purchase additional library materials during 2010.

Vic Ziccardi seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Loyd Ackerman **Electornic Media Backup (Video, Picture, DVD, CD & electronic media):** Loyd reported that all of our DVD's are backed up on his personal computer's hard drive. It is imperative that we backup all this material because DVD's have a self life and are subject to physical damage. He also reported that all the photos on our photo gallery are backed up on that same drive. For safety Loyd recommended that an external hard drive be purchased to serve as the backup of the club's electronic media. This hard drive would be used exclusively for the club's storage and media needs.
Vic Ziccardi made a motion that the club purchase a harddrive with up to a terabyte of data for the club's needs.
Motion was seconded by Louis Bryant
Motion carried.

Tom Cowan The club presently has insurance to cover non-club members (the public). The club is not presently incorporated and does not have non profit status (501c3). The cost for the insurance has been less than \$200 per year.
Henry Davis made a motion that Bob Addinton, Treasurer pay the premium when it comes due.
Loyd Akerman seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

As a point of information Tom Cowan went over the rules for the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is made of the present officers, past President, past Vice President, and any other members that the President chooses to appoint. All members may vote unless there is a point of contention. If a revote is called for only the present officers are authorized to vote.

Meeting adjourned