# **Regina Whittlers and Woodcarvers**

Meeting April 12, 2018

**Present**: Linda Anderson, Leo Belanger, Sharon Bender, Tim Caswell, Keith Cheston, Bill Dearborn, Allan Egler, Kamron Garber, Phil Haughian, Wes Hovind, Herb Klassen, Russell Littlemore, John Robertson, Ken Smith, Dale Wenman

## September 14, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

Minutes of the last business, September 14, 2017, were available for review and discussion. There were no questions. These minutes were accepted by the club.

Moved: Sharon Bender

Carried

Seconded: Dale Wenman

## **Treasurer's Report:**

## Membership:

The club currently has 36 members.

#### Finances:

Bank balance at the end of March 2018 was approx. \$8,000. Income for the year is currently \$640.00

#### Communication

Methods used or envisioned by Regina Whittlers and Woodcarvers to provide information about club meetings and events, keep members connected with one another, offer advice and instruction and advertise carving classes:

- Email one-time reminders and information sent out by Herb Klassen
- Newsletter monthly originally provided minutes, president's message, advertising, other interesting info about members or other clubs. Goes to paid members plus others who are connected in some way. (Current editor, Jack Bergen, does not want to continue with this work.)
- Website reports, minutes, picture gallery, archives, information about RRW events, advertising - Bill Dearborn
- Facebook would be a current informal method to advertise events and to share what
  is happening. Can be used for community building. Sharon Bender would create and
  maintain. Members could post and respond to one another.

The Executive considered options for communication when Jack Bergen indicated that he no longer wants to edit the Newsletter. No other member has indicated interest in doing the task. Thanks to Jack for doing this work for the Club over the past 2 years.

### Motion:

That the monthly newsletter be discontinued and that we rely on email, website and Facebook to fulfill our communication needs. All information, pictures, articles need to be

sent to Herb, Bill and Sharon for them to use as is appropriate for the communication tool they manage.

Moved: Sharon Bender Seconded: John Robertson

Carried

## Library:

Approximately 15 books have been added to the library with thanks to Bill Dearborn.

To date in 2018, usage of the materials sits at 8.

Dale is currently updating the Library catalogue. Watch for the update. It will also appear on the website.

# **Programmer's Report**:

The Relief Class in February was a success with 5 carvers participating.

Tim would like to offer at least 2 different classes per year.

He is also looking at training sessions that can be conducted at club meetings.

Tim is also working with Greg Mallet to offer a Diamond Willow Walking stick class in the fall.

Linda Anderson and Wilbur Feader may do a Woodburning workshop in the late fall.

Classes with Doris Sheldon (Female Face in bark) and Paul Perron (Polar Bear or Whimsical House) are also being explored.

Tim is also looking at another Relief Carving Class.

# **Queen City Ex**

The dates for the Regina Queen City Ex for 2018 are August 1-5. The carvers will again be participating with a display in Banner Hall. A sign-up sheet was circulated looking for volunteers.

#### **Carvers / Woodturners Show**

The annual show will take place on April 21 and 22 at the Tartan Curling club. Setup will be Friday at 5-7 pm. Peter Dielschneider will be scheduling the carving demo's.

#### Other business

With the show next weekend, the meeting was polled as to whether or not the regular carving night should be held on April 19. The consensus was to go ahead with the regular schedule.

Andre Beaudoin has requested that others step up to carve the monthly projects that he has been cutting out for us for over 5 years.

Interest was expressed by Russell Littlemore and John Robertson. This will be passed to the executive for consideration before fall.

Allan Egler presented a note and \$100 he received from Lynda Schaeffer. Lynda requested that the money be used to increase the number of comfort birds carved for the Cancer Clinic.

Meeting Adjourned with thanks to Linda Anderson for Chairing!