

**Hunt County Woodturners
Board Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2023**

The meeting was held at Wesley United Methodist Church and was also open to members through Zoom, conducted by Sully Sullivan. Ed Mastin attended through the Zoom session.

Club members Attending in Person: Lee Craft*, Alain Schwarz*, Sully Sullivan*, Doug Balzer*, Burt Andrew*, Cynthia Balzer, Mark Spencer*, Rod Brumlow*.

Board Members absent: Alan Fields.

[Voting board members for 2023 indicated *. A quorum of board members was in attendance.]

The Meeting was called to order at 6:06pm with HCW President, Lee Craft, presiding.

Items of Business

- **Board Meeting minutes from April 6, 2023:**

Alain Schwarz made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 6, 2023, board meeting with no changes. The motion was seconded by Doug Balzer. Motion passed.

- **Items of Interest – Club Membership and Activities**

- Membership stands at 98 after removing those who did not renew for 2023.
- Club apparel order forms for 2023 are ready for distribution. Prices will remain the same as last year. Burt will send out the forms before the May club meeting, and orders will be accepted through the June meeting. The schedule:
 - May meeting – Order forms will be made available to the membership.
 - June meeting – Final date that order forms and payments may be turned in.
 - July – Vendor processing time.
 - August meeting – Delivery of apparel to members in time for SWAT (late August).

- **Upcoming Club Demonstrations and Open Shops**

- Stacy Nehl will demonstrate an embellished lidded box during the May meeting. Brian Livingston (100 Margaret Street, Fate, TX) will host Open Shop, and Tom Nehl will demonstrate flocking during the mini-class.
- Johnny Hayre will demonstrate during the June meeting. His subject will involve the use of epoxy. Burt Andrew will host Open Shop in June and the mini-class will cover the making of lathe tools.
- July is currently open.
- Tom Nehl will demonstrate a three pointed bowl during the August meeting.
- Tim White will discuss Rules of Turning in September.

- **Beginner School in May:**

- The two-day Beginner School, Sat/Sun, May 6 and 7, will be held at Rod Brumlow's shop (102 Jeremy Drive, Royse City).
- The class will feature turning a basic bowl, platter, and lidded box. As an added feature, finishing of a bowl will be demonstrated.
- Class capacity is 6. Four individuals have signed up so far.

- **Women in Turning:**

- The next WIT event, initially scheduled for May 29, will be rescheduled to June 17, 8am to 4pm, Lee Craft's shop.
- The candlestick project will be continued. Donna Frazier will be the instructor.

- **Hunt County Fair:**
 - Doug reported that HCW was well represented at the fair. Our members filled 58 of the 75 demonstrator slots. A significant number of fair attendees expressed interest in HCW activities and will consider attending a club meeting.
 - Proceeds amounted to \$697, even with the closing of two evenings due to rain.
- **Training:**
 - Training Coordinator Rod Brumlow suggested that we need two more larger-scale training events this year. Subjects discussed for these two-day classes are in line with interests expressed by club members in the survey completed early this year. Possibilities include:
 - Segmenting (Rod Brumow, Dale King, Dale Scruggs)
 - Wood carving (Stacy Nehl)
 - Embellishments (Cory White)
- **Quarterly Challenge**
 - Our next Quarterly Challenge will be the turning of a goblet, mug, or drinking vessel.
 - Due June meeting.
- **Restored Hope**
 - Alan Schwarz suggested that we support Restored Hope, a Dallas-based organization that assists in recovery of exploited women. [ref: [End Sex Trafficking | Restored Hope Ministries | Dallas, Tx](#)]
 - Restored Hope is asking for turned items for their fundraiser action to be held Sept. 16.
 - Turned submittals will need to be turned in to Alain at or before our August meeting.
 - Alain will provide details during the May meeting.
- **SWAT (Lee Craft)**
 - Lee attended the SWAT meeting in Waco on April 29.
 - Hilton rooms are sold out; Marriott has 50 rooms left.
 - The event will feature 7 professional lead demonstrators and 17 regional demonstrators.
 - HCW will be located in another room near the previous location of the gallery.
 - There will be no Beads of Courage this year. Hospitals apparently have enough, though Rod will check with the Scottish Rites Hospital in Dallas to check their status for direct contributions.
- **Audio/Visual**
 - The group discussed and decided to renew Zoom licensing for another year at \$149.90. Mark Spencer will check status with Alan and will pay immediately if needed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.