

In attendance: Freddy Prellwitz (President), Kenny Wickham (Vice President), David Owen (Director of Safety), Robin Rasamny (Treasurer), Carolyn Yeo (Member at Large, Purchasing), Tom Bobak (Member at Large, Maintenance & Calibration), Leila Mirza (Secretary).

The meeting commenced at 1:00 pm.

**1. Freddy Prellwitz, President**

- a. **Jointer/Planer** – has been installed. Should have a Y so the dust collector can be connected to it. It is a bit complicated to switch from one to another. We will use it as a jointer for now, so long as the others are still working.
- b. **Other** – The table saw and extra planer have been removed.

**2. Old Business**

- a. **Log Cutting** – All the slots to cut logs were filled, and only one supervisor was signed up. Members were not happy that they could not cut their logs, and Freddy shared the rules again and urged them to take the supervisor training class to become self-supporting. Three yellow badges who do a lot of log-cutting have now signed up.
  - i. **Dave:** *Supervisors will not need to change the blade anymore. They will only assist other members in setting up the slides and ensuring the rules are followed.*

**3. New Business:**

- a. **Elections** – Glenn Wantz is overseeing the nominations for the open board positions of President, Treasurer and Purchasing. The post for members to vote will go out on Groupworks and will be open for seven (7) days.
- b. **Monday Night Sessions** – These sessions continue to be well-attended with at least 30-40 members per session. Jim Myers will do a session on 2/19 and 3/4 (back room), Dave Owen and Brian will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> (Lazy Susan) and Freddy will be on 3/11 (Inlays). Trainers are still needed for 3/18 and 3/25.
- c. **Sales Expo** – Nancy McIntosh is working with Janet Turner on the setup to improve the flow of people walking through. We still need volunteers to help.
  - i. **Dave:** *To date we have eighteen (18) sellers, seven (7) of whom will display their items on a community table.*
- d. **Equipment Needs 2024** – Two options will be presented to the members: a new saw-stop and an oscillating sander. The Board recommends proposing the purchase of a saw-stop to the HOA. At the end of the year, depending on the Club's bank account balance, we can request to purchase the sander with Club funds.
- e. **Equipment Needs 2025** – Dave Dietz is leading the Lathe-focused group and will present their findings on Lathe-purchase options at the membership meeting.
- f. **Table Clutter** – There is still clutter underneath the tables. Members must use a bin or upright to store their items. The uprights are almost full, so we will need to start moving out members with uprights to allow others in. The first person who signed up will have to wait 30 days to get back on the list.
- g. **Silent Auction** - Several old items will go on the auction, including two sanders, a chop saw and stand, etc. Auction will open a day before the membership meeting and close on Sunday.

**4. Carolyn Yeo – Director-at-Large, Purchasing**

- a. Questioned whether someone on the board should be approving purchase requests to ensure they are the best purchase for the shop. She had purchased tips for the Club and was told that she should only purchase carbide tips because they lasted longer.
  - i. **Freddy:** *The regular tips are fine.*
- b. Inquired about a remodel design for the office to make it function better.
  - i. **Kenny:** *Moving the filing cabinet and getting a longer table or L-shaped desk will help. The cabinet is a waste of space.*
- c. Working on the board has given her a better appreciation for the time and effort that goes into each role. It is her biggest learning.

**5. Tom Bobak – Director-at-Large, Maintenance & Calibration**

- a. Everyone is doing well and showing up to do their calibration of machinery.
- b. Removed all the waste out back.

**6. Kenny Wickham – Member Management**

- a. All is going well. It was tough processing member badges with so many new members coming in, but they were finally completed.
- b. Marsha will have another eye surgery, so she will be out for a few weeks.
- c. Sign-in sheets are being thrown into the VP box. Will ask for a volunteer to help sort and organize them.

**7. Dave Owen – Director of Safety & Orientation**

- a. **Red Badges** – We have twenty-two (22) red badges. Of those, seven (7) have completed core training. We opened a second session in March. The team is struggling to keep up with the new members' training.
- b. **Monitor Meetings** – Ten (10) monitors per session. Many good ideas and recommendations have come up, such as moving the drill press so monitors don't have their backs to the shop while working; asking members to clean the shop and not just their stations at various times of the day; designating a number of yellow badges as secondary monitors to observe and watch for unsafe behavior.
- c. **Early Shop Opening** – Monitors have been signing up at 8am to gauge interest in opening the shop earlier. Right now, the data does not support it. Will extend the earlier opening through March and tell members about it.
- d. **Safety** – Despite the chilly weather, long sleeves should not be worn in the shop. If worn, they should be pulled above the elbows.

**8. Treasurer, Robin Rasamny**

- a. Busy January. We received payment for eleven (11) new members. As of the end of the month, the Club had 17,711 in the bank. YTD income was \$5947, expenses of ~\$452, and profit of ~\$5500.

**9. Freddy Prellwitz – President**

- a. Planning an Appreciation Night on Monday, 3/25, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM for all monitors, board members and spouses/significant others. Potluck style (bring an appetizer or dessert to share). The Club will pick up the drinks.
- b. IHT is the third week of March. The PB Club is looking for raffle prizes. Freddy will be asking members to donate items.

Meeting adjourned at 1:57 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Leila Mirza, Secretary