

Master Brewers Association of the Americas

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District St. Louis

Board Meeting Minutes February 2009

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Brad Seabaugh. Board members in attendance were Brad Seabaugh, Sue Simmons, Tom Zimmerman, Ron Jansen, Darren Goodlin, Rob Naylor, Brad Miller, Kevin Eggemeyer and Wayne Brinkman. A motion to approve the Board meeting minutes from January 2009 was made by Brad Seabaugh and seconded by Darren Goodlin.

The February agenda was reviewed and the motion to approve was made by Rob Naylor and seconded by Wayne Brinkman.

February Meeting Discussion

The location will be the Sage restaurant. Darren Goodlin confirmed that our after dinner speaker will be Barbara Buck and she will speak on Dining Etiquette. Brad Miller confirmed that the sponsor will be Tyco and that the meal will be buffet style to reduce costs. The districts PA system and video equipment and screen will be required. Parking will be available locally.

Future Meetings

Brad Miller confirmed the following dates/locations for upcoming meetings said that the meeting locations as mentioned at the last meeting.

February 2009 MBAA District St Louis – February 19th 2009 – Sage

March 2009 MBAA District St Louis – March 19th 2009 – Favazza's – Enpro???

April 2009 MBAA District St Louis – April 16th 2009 – Schlafly Tap Room - Experitec

Brewkettle Draft Review for February

There were a few changes to the Brewkettle draft.

Chair Reports

Technical Chair – Darren Goodlin

We hope to have Garrett Oliver speak on beer and food pairings at the March 19th meeting and to have Stephen Hale speak at the April 16th meeting at the Tap Room.

Social Chair – Brad Miller

We should contact Brad with information on local beer related events and copy Keith Angle as he is now our Web Chair.

Brad is considering setting up a summer event, possibly a trip to Hermann.

Membership Chair – Rob Naylor

Rob would like Kevin Eggemeyer to send him the list of local craft brewers e-mail address so that he can include it in an e-mail blast.

Publicity Chair – Ron Jansen

Nothing to report.

Golf Chair – Kevin Eggemeyer

MBAA DSL golf outing will be held 9/25/09 at Pevely Farms

Old Business

Approval of \$100 donation to the Lutheran Services Home in the memory of Steve Huffman's mother.

We are working to reduce the sponsorship costs and have decided to move to buffet style dinners to help with this goal. We explored having heavy hors d'oeuvres as another option to reduce costs but determined that this option was not significantly less expensive than a buffet.

A discussion was held on the option of giving each attendee 2-3 beer tickets as another option to reduce the meeting cost.

A discussion on including the IBPA and the ASBC in our monthly meetings. We will contact Dan Koppman to find out if the ABPA has any interest. Darren Goodlin will contact Rich Ogle with ASBC to discuss this.

New Business

The A-B training group is still in St. Louis and is headed by Steve Frazier. We may consider MBAA as a training option for A-B employees.

We are considering giving our members an option to submit questions or topics for discussion on-line that can be compiled and answered by a panel at an upcoming meeting. This could include raw material quality/shortages or how to keep abrewery running with minimal staffing. Kevin Eggemeyer agreed to facilitate this type of meeting. We would need Keith Angle to establish a blog so that members could submit their ideas. Tom Zimmerman will contact Keith.

Motion to Adjourn

Sue Simmons made a motion to adjourn at 6:30 PM and it was seconded by Wayne Brinkman.