

VIWC Meeting Minutes 18 May 2019, 10am - 12 noo

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Attendance

Bill Beese, Rob Swanton, Malcolm Ho-You

Program: Ward World Championship

Bill showed slides of the most recent World competition in Ocean City, MD. He entered 2 carvings and got a 2nd in Advanced Miniatures with 3 Red Knots on a beach behind a dune fence at sunset, and a 3rd with a Smoothie Shorebird (W. Sandpiper).

Business Meeting

Minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

No report (Rollie was away, and he has all of the bank records). There are a few miscellaneous expenses to settle, but it looks like the Brant show made a profit of about \$1800.

Old Business

Meetings

This is the last regular meeting of VIWC!

The amalgamation of the club with the Mid-Island Woodworkers' Guild is to be completed by the end of August (our fiscal year-end). As far as we know, it is just a matter of filling out some forms and paying a fee of about \$100. If we need to do anything more as a club to make this happen (e.g., final vote, etc.) we can call a special meeting.

As a final VIWC wrap-up event, we will have a picnic at a shelter in Bowen Park on the third Saturday of June (15th) if we can get a shelter. It will be a Pot-Luck (11:30 – 2:00), with some draw prizes and perhaps a game of bocce—depending on how many RSVPs we get. Details will follow by email.

New Business

Brant

We had a discussion of the show, and what could be improved for next year. Here are a few ideas:

- Increase the categories for turnings;
- Change the categories for songbirds so that woodpeckers, hummingbirds and kingfishers are separate from the "passerines";
- Get more help for ribbon placement;
- Do something special for the 30th;
- Add a note on habitat regarding judging (higher skill levels should be making their own).

We also discussed the fact that 2020 will be Bill's last year as show chair. He suggested that someone could be co-chair next year to have a smoother transition into the job, and perhaps have co-chairs from Oceanside and MIWG going forward.

Donations

We decided to donate \$1000 to the Nature Trust, and \$1000 to the Oceanside club before we close our bank account and transfer assets to MIWG.

Richmond Show

Bill is judging and will take some carvings over for Rob and Malcolm (and anyone else who wants to drop off carvings before Friday, May 24th.

The meeting ended about noon.

Minutes by Bill Beese, VIWC Secretary