

Official Spring 2024 Membership Meeting May 20, 2024

1. Call to Order by President Alan Sweeney at 10:25am with a welcome to visitors and new members.
 - a. Collection of \$.50 for anyone not wearing their name tag.
2. Alan read IDGS' state of purpose.
3. Alan introduced the BOD.
 - a. President: Alan Sweeney
 - b. Vice President: Robi Hathorn
 - c. Treasurer: Janet Mellige
 - d. Secretary: Karen Hibdon (absent)
 - e. Membership Secretary: Madlen Tarlton
 - f. Elected Directors: Radenne English (absent), Christy Pletcher (absent) and Steve Kiser
 - g. Gourd Shards Newsletter Author: Carolyn Frazier
 - h. Webmaster and Social Media: Chris Peters
4. Alan asked if anyone had questions about the minutes from the last Official Meeting, Fall 2023. There were none. Dee Smart moved to accept the minutes and John Melligh seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. No one opposed. Minutes were approved.
5. Treasurer Janet presented the current treasurer report.
6. Membership Secretary Madlen reported we now have 140 members, same as last month.
7. Old Business
 - a. The amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws presented in the previous two monthly meetings were voted on without further discussion. Janet Mellige moved to accept the changes and Carolyn Frazier seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. No one opposed. The changes were approved.
 - b. IAW report. Alan thanked all the volunteers and those who participated. It was a good show because of IDGS's participation of volunteers and entries.
8. New Business
 - a. The question of whether or not IDGS should continue in the consortium of the Idaho Artistry in Wood & Gourds was discussed.
 - i. After considerable and thoughtful discussion throughout the membership it was put to a vote and members voted to leave the organization.
 - ii. Motion to leave was made by LaRae Palmateer and seconded by Mike Ciulla. Members voted unanimously.
 - iii. Bill Tarlton will draft a letter to be signed by Alan on behalf of the BOD and emailed ASAP to reach the IAW BOD by May 1, 2024 which is their next meeting.
 - b. June 8, 2024 will be our annual picnic and swap meet. It will be at the new park at 14309 Midway Rd, Nampa.
 - c. Festival
 - i. Sculpture, "Gourden", is going home with Veletta and Quency for a much needed makeover.
 - ii. Old risers, wood and pots are going in the trash unless someone wants them.
 - iii. Chris Peters showed the new large color banners for display along the highway.
 - iv. Janet (in Radenne's absence) made Gourd Store announcements and explained the challenge contest.
 - v. Prospectus is available on the website (Chris, LaRae and Ron)

- vi. Vendor Applications are being accepting now (Chris, Ron and Bill)
 - vii. Classes - Alan Until May 1st we are accepting teacher applications from AGS and after than to any teachers.
 - viii. Make & Take - we still need a sub-chair person : Robi Hathorn volunteered during the meeting to take this on. She is planning birdhouses.
 - ix. Security - We still need someone and it will only be for the competition room.
 - x. Silent Auction will be Pam Froom this year.
9. Patch Reports
- a. Sunshine - Liz Meyer reported that Chris' class is full
 - b. Kuna - Veletta reported
 - c. Dancing Dog - Mike Ciulla and Randy Lentell reported
 - d. Woodcraft - Peggy Lee reported
10. Show & Tell Those show/tell were Madlen, Bill, Chris, Robi, Ron and Edweena
11. Cash Prize Drawing (5) winners: Ron, Barbs, Anne F, Jim, Madlen
12. Adjournment: 12:02pm

Demo on CA glue with Ron Swank

Respectfully presented by Chris Peters