

# Florida Artist Blacksmith Association

## Quarterly Board Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2010

### Barberville Annual Conference

**Board members in attendance:** Jerry Wolfe, Rex Anderson, Jim Labolito, Ron Childers, Steve Bloom, Ralph Nettles, Mark Stone, Lisa Anne Conner, Dorothy Butler.

**Board members absent:** Charles Pate, Kathy Thomas

**Guests:** Clyde Payton, Skeeter Prather, John Butler, Patty Draper, Ann Reynolds & many others.

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1. President Jerry Wolfe called meeting to order at 5:29 PM.

2. Call made for additional agenda items: None offered.

3. Call to approve Minutes of 7-15-2010 meeting.

Motion Made by: Lisa Anne Conner

Seconded – Steve Bloom

Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

4. Old Business:

- a) Storage Shed – Rex Anderson gave report. Finished but for 1 set of hinges. Spent \$694.86 out of \$1600 allotted due to making it an addition to an existing building on property.
- b) Hugh Mueller tool donation - Clyde Payton gave report. What tools were not liquidated as of the time of this meeting will be in auction. Details on request. Motion for dissolution of committee was made with Lisa Anne Conner making second. President disbands committee. Treasurer reports show an income of \$810 from sale of Mueller tools.
- c) Board Action before Oct 8th Meeting: On Sept 3, 2010, Jerry Wolfe proposed, via email, to all board members that we make the following Honorary Life Members per By-Laws Section 1.C. All Board members voted via phone or email and motion passed unanimously. Willard Smith; Clyde Payton; Skeeter Prather have received Lifetime Membership Status.
- d) 2010 Board member Elections – Reported by Jim Labolito. With 5 offices to be voted on and 5 people running unopposed, the ballot and counting was easy. To be either re-installed or newly installed into office by unanimous vote:

Treasurer - Dot Butler

News Letter Editor - Kim Wendt

Program Chair - Mark Stone

Trustee #2 - NE - Kathy Thomas

Trustee #4 - SE - Ralph Nettles

5. President's Report:

- a) Reported on the Walt Anderson Scholarship. Will have letter of appreciation from winner, Will Manning, in the Next issue of the Clinker Breaker.
- b) President stated that he was the Representative for the Southern Blacksmith Association conference. This has been scheduled for May 19-21, 2011. FABAs is responsible for organizing and manning the gallery as well as the brochure production and mailing. Asked for offers to help man gallery.

6. Treasurer's Report: Dot Butler made her first Report as our new Treasurer – The board was given transition report detailing some account changes, a detailed profit and loss statement and itemized balance sheets, in detail, of year to date debits and deposits. Then we were handed itemized balance sheets, in detail, of year to date debits and deposits. After motions to accept and second, there was some discussion as to the new format and FABA's solvency. All records are open to membership upon request.

Brief summary - As of Oct 2, 2010 the records show the following account balances:

Bank of America	\$8360
Wakulla (Credit Card)	\$ 935
Vanguard	\$25633
Total	\$34,928

Motion to accept made by: Ron Childers

Seconded – Lisa Anne Conner

Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

7. Audit Report – President stated that the audit committee, made up of Vi Payton and Charlton Prather have finished bringing the audit trail to date. Expressed gratitude for the hard work done by these folks in bringing this monumental task to a close. All findings are available from President Wolfe upon request of any FABA member.

8. 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary report – Motion for 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee to be dissolved. Kudos given to members that helped with bringing it together.

Motion Made by: Clyde Payton

Seconded – Dot Butler

Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

9. 2010 Conference report – Mark Stone reported on conference at present time. There were 96 family registrations at time of board meeting. (Roughly 110 Family Registrations by conference end.)

10. Trustee report: None given.

11. New Business:

a) Motion to allow waiving the conference fee for the invited members being honored.

Motion Made by: Ron Childers

Seconded – Lisa Anne Conner

Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

b) Motion to give 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary pins to honorees.

Motion Made by: Dot Butler

Seconded – Lisa Anne Conner

Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

c) Treasurer Dot Butler was asked about starting a PayPal account for FABA. Pros and cons discussed. President asks Treasurer to study in detail and come back to the board with exact figures on FABA costs. Will be added to Old Business next Board Meeting

d) President asks to open Facebook Account for social networking. No charge

Motion Made by: Dot Butler

Seconded – Ralph Nettles

Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

12. Date and place of next quarterly meeting: Conference Call, Thursday, January 20, 2011 @ 6 PM.  
President calls for motion to adjourn meeting at 5:50 PM

Motion Made by: Dot Butler  
Seconded – Ralph Nettles  
Passed – Unanimously by those in attendance

Respectfully submitted by Jim Labolito - State Secretary, FABA