

Board Meeting Agenda Thursday, 29 July 2021

I. Minutes

1. Review 29 April 2021 minutes

II. Reports of Officers

1. Board Members

- a. 1st Vice President- Elizabeth Hargrave (Nothing to report)
- b. 2nd Vice President- Jared Urchek (Nothing to report)
- c. Treasurer- Matt Cohen (We are doing well. Donations and programs are over budget)
- d. Secretary- Marisol Perez (Store integration with Wild Apricot still pending)
- e. Membership- Rick Silber (Nothing to report)
- f. Culinary- John Harper (Culinary Co-op: Website modifications were made to implement decentralized culinary activities. It is live but hasn't been publicized. Will be announced soon)
- g. Programs- Tom McCoy – Honorarium fee question/by-law change. (By-Law change to pay MAW speaker discussion – fees are variable – Mr. Castellano meeting might be outdoors or hybrid)
- h. Forays- Mitch Fournet – On the road
- i. Newsletter Editor- Annie Greene (Printed newsletters are on their way and hitting mailboxes soon)
- j. NAMA Trustee – Bruce Boyer – Any items for NAMA. (NAMA looking for topics, JHarper asked about NAMA becoming a liaison among the member clubs)

III. Reports of Special Committees, Projects, and Forays

1. Mycoflora Committee (Urchek) (MAW has submitted 60 out 100 sequences bought for 2021, prices have increased so now we have 24 left in total, Jared would like someone else to take over the Mycoflora project. He also suggested someone at MAW doing the preparation of samples for submission for sequencing)
2. Social Media Committee (Greene) (Everything is doing well, Facebook page has 2k followers)
3. Scholarship and Education Committee (Romberg)

IV. Unfinished Business

1. MAWDC Book Asset disposition (Needham 17 January/Harper 29 April) (JHarper noted that books related to mycology from the Ellifritz collection will be made available as prizes or offered to members to be picked up at MAW events, and suggested that MAW ask members for donations of unused/unwanted mushroom guides and books to make them available to members on an online catalog)
2. Annual Management Checklist (Needham 15 February) (Sent by WNeedham for comments)
3. Cultivation as a periodic MAWDC event (Needham 26 March) (Being considered)
4. Membership gift subscriptions (Silber 17 April) and upgrade to family +\$10 (22 April) (Do we need it? Silber thinks it's a great idea. No action for now,)

V. New Business

1. Nomination Committee (WNeedham will send an email to the board, if no volunteers he will head the Nomination Committee himself)
2. Restoration of in person events – timing and venue (Needham/Harper 28 June 2021)

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Montgomery County Libraries to reopen in August (Cohen) (We are not sure if it's going to happen, should we keep doing it remotely? JHarper recommends hyperlocal meetings and move away of mass meetings. TMcCoy does not necessarily agree with that, maybe do it twice a year? Everyone seem to agree that we need to figure out a way to meet in person)

3. Implications of larger membership on MAWDC activities (Harper 4 May 2021) (to be researched what bigger mushroom clubs like Western Penn Mushroom Club are doing do to keep membership engaged)
4. Discord participation and Communications Chair (Greene 9 May 2021) (It's Ok to accept non-members and filter out illegal content e.g. psilocybin)
5. Webmaster assignment to board member (Hargrave 16 June 2021) + other board changes (WildApricot is not simple, JHarper is volunteering to help with the web, no final decision. The creation of an officer position for "webmaster" doesn't require MAW to amend by-laws, only the Board rules. However Board Rules also are required to be approved by members by majority vote.) (2ndVP/NAMA Rep convergence and Science Advisor as regular board (Cohen 27 July))
6. Rules for use of email to MAWDC membership (Needham/Harper 30 June 2021) (discussion on this was general agreement that blast emails are expected to be done by board members within their area of responsibility, but emails not within the normal functions should be discussed with board first, so as to avoid extraneous emails to all members)
7. TV Spot by MAWDC member (Needham 7/28) (Given photo waiver is Ok, we are good to go)

VI. Adjourn

1. Last Board Meeting 2021 – 28 October