ASGS Board of Directors Meeting

November 3, 2012, Lido Beach Resort, Lido Beach, FL Presiding Officer: Frank Meints, Secretary: Steve Moder

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Note: The following information was compiled at the B.O.D. meeting by the secretary via note and digital recording.

The meeting was called to order by President Meints at 9:00 am, November 3, 2012.

Roll call was taken by Secretary Moder and a quorum was confirmed.

President Meints called for a review of minutes of the B.O.D. meeting of Patrick DeFlorio at Corning, NY in June 2012.

Minutes Acceptance **Motion Resolution:** Motion #11120301R *to accept the minutes from the ASGS B.O.D. meeting of President DeFlorio, held in Corning, NY on June 26, 2012.* Motion by: Scott Bankroff Seconded by: James Cornell Motion Passed: Unanimous

President Meints called for a review of the minutes from the B.O.D. meeting of President Meintz in Corning, NY in June 2012.

Minutes Acceptance **Motion Resolution:** *Motion #11120302R to accept the minutes of the B.O.D. meeting chaired by President Meints at Corning, NY, June 26, 2012.* Motion by: Jack Korfhage Seconded by: Richard Smith Motion Passed: Unanimous

President Meints called for the Treasurer's Report

Vic Matthews was excited by two years in a row of moving in a positive direction. Vic pointed out the decrease in expenditures and increase in profit meant the ASGS broke even with profit being made from the symposium.

Vic talked about the bank credit card (debit card) and the limit of \$5000. He mentioned about the Audit Committee helping him with a preaudit. Arturo Ramirez asked about the costs from the symposium that are billed to the card. Vic pointed out the \$5000 limit was more than spent. Rick Gerhart was interested in the telephone costs/rate of the society. Vic explained the low rates we receive.

Scott Bankroff talked about the Not For Profit status of the ASGS... Pointed out the confusion generated when information is given out with a Nonprofit claim or in the Mission Statement.

Discussion was given to nonprofit vs. Not For Profit. Rick Smith questioned whether we could change this. Executive Secretary Jerry Cloninger said this could be changed since this was a correction and not an actual status change.

Steve Moder suggested an article for Fusion on Not For Profit statues. Vic Matthews and President Meints agreed to do this.

Scott Bankroff talked about the Charity Auction and how gas was paid for. Vic talked about deducting direct expense from what is given to the charity. Jack Korfhage talked about the history and the need to deduct expenses. Vic Matthews and Jerry Cloninger stated this is a board decision. Much discussion was held on this and was determined a motion would be made under new business on the Charity Auction expense. Discussion was given to sponsorship for the charity auction.

President Meints thanked Vic Matthews for his report. He mentioned we would be accepting the Audit Committee Report in the July meeting.

President Meints talked about the President's Report. He talked about the computer work and the process of developing a flow chart of who does what. He informed the B.O.D. of the status of the ASGS online database and problems remaining. He mentioned that our brochure needed updating to reflect our searchable database. There is a possibility of shipping brochures with vendor orders.

President Meints noted that Kevin Teaford was taking over the Alan Brown workshop chairman duties. He also talked about the President-elect position and difficulties filling this. He is looking for suggestions for the new President-elect. He finished his report with the Audio Visual needs and equipment list. He pointed out there would be costs associated with AV at this year's symposium. Vic Matthews mentioned the need for inventory control and Frank mentioned the list is at the National Office.

President Elect Report: Jim Cornell stated that things are running smoothly. He then talked about his goals as president:

- Communication with members
- Developing more active junior members. He talked about finding a replacement for Joe Gregar. Joe had mentioned he had some polite refusals for the position, though he still had a few people in mind.

President Meints thanked people for attending. He talked briefly about people being reimbursed for hotel and travel as needed.

Executive Secretary Report: See Report. Jerry Cloninger mentioned he will talk about rosters and keeping things up to date during the National Office report.

Much discussion was held at this time about roster and updates. Suggestions were discussed and Vic Matthews pointed out updates can be done when dues forms are sent in as update information is on these forms.

Section Reports: Canadian Section: See report **Delaware Valley Section:** See report. All new officers in this section. Chris Bock mentioned meetings were well attended with a high student count. Rick Smith asked how many attending the section meeting were also ASGS members.

Great Lakes Section: See report. Scott Bankroff pointed out that having joint membership with the Midwest provides for good meetings.

Midwest Section: See report. Kiva Ford had a question on where the directors' blackbook could be found. Jack Korfhage mentioned it was on the web in the directors section.

Southeast Section: See report. Rick Smith mentioned these next meetings would be more centrally located in Kentucky. Discussion was held on increasing attendance at meetings and increasing membership.

Southern California Section: See report. Rick Gerhart talked briefly about Universities and their declining support of glassblowers.

Southwest Section: See report. Jim Cornell pointed out the need to publish the section meetings early, so national officers could attend these meetings.

Committee Reports:

Alan Brown Workshop: Kevin Teaford will be the new chair. Jack Korfhage will remain on as an instructor. Rather than a major project they will be doing a tricks of the trade workshop. The time will be 1 ¹/₂ days instead of one.

Audit Committee: no report until summer.

Audio Visual Committee: See report. Requested the purchase of a portable address system, the cost would be covered by their budget. Discussion was held on equipment sharing with sections, with the B.O.D. deciding this was not practical.

Awards Committee Report: See report. Scott Bankroff noted the increased expenditures to buy in volume for savings and ease of purchase. Noted deadline for awards is Feb. 15th.

Education Committee Report: See report.

IT Committee Report: See report. President Meints displayed a flow chart for who is involved. Noted Mike Wheeler is looking to be replaced as chair. He will still be a committee member though. A junior member volunteered to help with website.

Facebook Report: See report. Discussion was given to Facebook and the advantages to the society. Discussion was given to the cost of processing audio visual tape at this time. Members have paid \$350 for these and placing them online would make them free to all. Mike Wheeler has suggested putting these online when sales have dropped. Vic Matthews thinks this would be

possible in a few more years and monitoring sales at this year's symposium. The B.O.D. decided to wait a few more years and check into costs over this time.

Junior Liaison Report: See report. Much discussion on finding a replacement for Joe Gregar. Jim Cornell presented the possibility of 2 or 3 people sharing the duties. Jack Korfhage will talk with Bob Singer about stepping in, others sections should look for replacement volunteers.

Membership Committee Report: See report. Requested the B.O.D. think about having a 2-year art student membership. The general feeling of the B.O.D. was to have them sign up as a student. Suggested electronic Fusion to keep cost down for foreign members. This did not receive significant support.

National Office Report: See report. Bob and Lynn Ponton talked about the problems occurring because of late registration. They suggested February 1st as a cutoff date. They requested direction as to how long to keep information on file. Much discussion was given to the problems and ways to encourage prompt sign up by members.

The B.O.D. felt that the Feb. 1st cut off with files being eliminated at the end of 6 months was the appropriate course of action.

The roster needs again received much discussion, searching for a solution.

President Meints talked about hiring out the roster needs. Vic Matthews talked about Bob and Lynn being able to do this if they had access to the working file. Jerry Cloninger will check the problems out and select a course of action on the roster if it is cost free. The motion of the national Office dues problem will be addressed under new business.

Bob also discussed the membership application posted on the web requiring more fields. Jerry Cloninger will look into this.

Outreach Committee: The brochures need updating. Much discussion was held on the brochure and number to be printed. Consensus was reached on Jason Craig determining the amount needed with President Meints approval.

Editor's Report: See report. Dave Smart questioned whether the advertisers would lose interest in Fusion ads if the magazine was put on the website at the same time. Much discussion was given to the ad issue. Marylin Brown noted that everything was on schedule.

Rich Gerhart read a letter from Jim Merrit on a replacement for the President's Bowl for the outgoing President. Questions arose as to whether Corning was still going to contribute to this award. President Meints will check into this.

Technical Questions and Answers: See report.

References and Abstracts: See report.

Safety and Hazards Report: See report. Arturo Ramirez presented an article on HF hazards.

Steering and Bylaws Committee: See report.

Symposium Coordinator Report: Scott Bankroff stated the need for 2014 symposium chair. Vic Matthews volunteered to be the chair. Arturo Ramirez and Patrick Bennett volunteered to be co-chairs for 2015.

After 2015 Scott Bankroff is looking at giving up the symposium coordinator position as his 4 years are up. Vic Matthews volunteered if he gave up the treasurer's position.

Old Business: None

New Business: Dues date for membership issue was addressed as a Policy Statement and not a motion. "While the dues due date is January 1st, the National Office will extend a 30-day grace period. After which all membership rights will be suspended. Additional costs will be incurred for reinstatement."

The Policy Statement was made by consensus vote of the B.O.D.

Operating expenses for the charity auction was revisited from earlier discussion.

Charity Auction Expenses **Motion resolution:** Motion #11120303R to deduct operating expenses for the charity auction held at the annual symposium from the total amounts donated to the charity. Motion by: Jack Korfhage Seconded by: James Cornell Motion Passed: Unanimous

The next topic discussed was both Exhibitor Booth and registration rates for the 2013 symposium. After much discussion on this topic and the timeline it occurs.

2013 Symposium Exhibitor Booth and Registration Rates

Motion resolution: Motion # 11120304R to maintain 2012 exhibitors' booth rate at \$825 for first booth and \$625 for each additional booth in the 2013 Symposium in Sarasota, Florida. Registration rates in 2013 will remain the same as the 2012 symposium in Corning NY. Motion by: Arturo Ramirez Seconded by: Christopher Bock Motion Passed: Unanimous

Scott Bankroff noted that he is looking into event insurance for next year because of storms.

There is no other new business.

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