

WSCA Meeting
09/11/2017
Woodland Park Zoo

Meeting called to order @ 4:01 P.M

Attendance – 17 member's present

Mr. President- Welcome, Tony Parker called meeting to order

- Review of minutes' motion to approve: Gary Fuller 1st Jeff Pratt 2nd 4:25 P.M.

Treasurers report – Motion to approve financial report: Mark Linden 1st, Gary Fuller 2nd 4:22 P.M.

- Review of Financials by Jeff, we have been spending a minimal amount of resources, fall will be more active with spending. We are doing a good job controlling expenses.
- Jeff transferred \$3600 back to general fund for National Convention Apprenticeship students.

Apprentice report-

- 17 current Apprentices. The program is going strong.
- National accreditation will visit on October 16th, 17th & 18th
- Good employment is helping with Apprentice program
- Going to 4.5 hour days, the instructor will be reimbursed for their time.
- Working with Chef Prine to create a syllabus for all apprentice classes with a decimal grade, not pass/fail, attendance policy will be added.
- Approved 12 CEH's per calendar year to the chef in charge of the apprentice house.

Old Business:

- Looking for nominees for president, secretary, and three board positions. Gary and Mark will oversee elections and nominees this year.
- Dates for practical September 30th, November 18th, January 27th, March 3rd, September 29th
- ACE Training discussion. We need a trainer Michael Roddey may be willing to be a trainer. Brandon to reach out. It would need to be during the September 30th practical exam.
- John going to reach out to his employer to see if we can get a reduced charge for the September Dinner, and possibly making it our appreciation dinner.
- Silent auction. Gary in charge again this year and we are going to have a couple apprentices to help raise funds and get donations.

New Business

- Seattle Art Institute is transitioning to Non-profit and can't commit at this point, but we should be ok having the competition at their facility. They did say there would not be a cost for the facility.
- Discussion on having a competition that makes money or least breaks even.
- Board discussion on one day or two-day competition. J.J. mentioned that Brandon would prefer two-day competition in his absence. Board decided it was more fiscally responsible to do a one day competition at Seattle Art Institute
- Seattle Art Institute discussed that May would be best for the competition.
- Tin Gwinn, and Steve Sleasman were nominated to be board members, Tomas as board member, Daniel Griffith as Secretary, Lyle to stay on board, J.J. to be a board member. Student board member Gabriel Montgomery from Bates Technical College, Mark to be Certification Commissionaire.
- Mr President says he would like to have danny bonaduce and Sarah show for celebrities at the Bite of Apprentice.
- Gary asked that we have a scholarship for Walter Bronowitz J.J. suggested that we do 4 - \$750 scholarships. Board voted - Gary 1st Lyle 2nd Board agreed.
- We are going to move to quarterly 4 total scholarships a year.

Roundtable

- **Daniel** – Asked about our books we ordered, and ETA? Daniel also was asking about a merge with ANAFP to join or membership.
- **Tomas**- New Chocolate shop now open in Bainbridge Island, doing specialty chocolate and jams, Tomas is willing donate chocolate for the November Silent Auction. He also mentioned having chefs join in LinkedIn for better networking.
- **Lyle**- Saying we need more female chefs to join the board, we need to be more diverse - good discussion amongst everyone. board is in agreeance, discussion to talk about it more next meeting and possibly find creative ways to attract a more diverse network of culinarians
- **Andre** - New to our chapter. From Jamaica, worked for Marriot, just graduated from Arizona Culinary school
- **JJ** – Going to Minnesota for the National Certification Commission Board meeting

Upcoming Meetings – Tony Parker

- October 9th - Meeting Seattle Art Institute
- November 13th Meeting and Dinner - Clearwater Casino, with silent auction
- December - No meeting
- January 8th Meeting - Joey South Center
- January – Educational seminar- possibly chocolate and wine- TBD
- February 12th Meeting and Presidents Dinner - Broadmoor County Club
- March 12th Board Meeting - Park Shore- Two snooty chefs?
- April 9th Meeting & Bite of the Apprentice – R.T.C.
- May 14th Board Meeting – L' atelier Bainbridge Island

- June 11th Meeting & Dinner Muckleshoot Casino Dinner Appreciation
- July – no meeting
- August 13th – The Core Group

Motion to adjourn Tomas Ronyai 1st, Jeff Pratt 2nd all approved 5:47 p.m.

Members in attendance: Tony Parker, Steve Schrader, Gary Fuller, Daniel Griffith, Janet Waters, Jeff Pratt, John Clark, Tomas Ronyai, Michael Ventura, Mark Linden, Michael Higgins, Steve Sleasman, Brent Hordress, Michael Ventira, David Wynne, Gabriel Montgomery, J.J. Meland



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