

Red Wing Collectors Society
Agenda - Annual Business Meeting-Crockfest 2022
Friday, July 15, 2022 – 3:00 PM
River Bluff Gymnasium

A. Call to Order @ 3:04pm

B. Welcome Members – Paul Wichert

C. Moment of Silence for Departed Members

D. Announcements

- Thank you!!!
- Sergeant at Arms
- 'Celebrating 45 years in Pretty Red Wing, Members Social' immediately following business meeting 5-6:30pm. ALL members are invited.
- Crock Fest 2023 – July 13-15, 2023 (Thurs - Sat), Red Wing, MN
- Steve Showers Memorial Plan
- Phone/registration issues – new system is being sought at this time due to issues with existing one. Apologies for the disruption and/or if you had issues reaching someone.

E. Approval of the Minutes - July, 2021 Annual Business Meeting

- Motion to approve minutes from July 2021 Annual Business meeting made by Jerry Ardeman – second by Monica Natynski – Approved

F. Treasurer's Report – Financial Recap - Dan Beck

- Covid Jugs special commemorative sales helped drive additional revenue over the past two years: 2021 - \$48k 2022 - \$30k
- Cash position does not reflect Convention expenses yet to be posted - \$527k
- Investments are primarily in CD's due to safer interest rate

G. Historian's Report and Crockfest Recap – Nancy Lambert

- Badger Chapter will host the Display room in 2023
- Nancy clarified that fees for membership and convention just cover the cost of each and without those fees, we would not be able to produce such an excellent newsletter.

H. Representatives at Large Reports – Diana Bailey and Rich Natynski

- Florida and Illinois Chapters are working on revitalizing interest
- Met with seven (7) Chapter presidents in 2022 and two (2) more during convention

I. Convention Managers' Reports

- Auction Report – Dave Huisman
 - 2022 Auction - \$133k approximately \$16k to RWCS Note: without the record setting piece (20 gallon bird crock) the auction would have made only half as much
 - Need more participation by members to provide good quality pieces
 - Improvements for next year:
 - Catalog will be printed larger and in better format
 - Earlier start time – still in the afternoon so as not to interfere with parking lot sales and volunteering
 - Better process in getting photos for items – limit the number of photos submitted

- Commemorative Report & Special Commemorative winners – Bob Morawski
 - Beater Jar – 705 sold
 - 139 sets sold
 - 45th Anniversary Jug – 366 sold
- Special commemorative - stoneware floral vase
 - Corinne Reed - member
 - Kevin Miller - member
 - Larry Roschen - volunteer and business meeting winner
 - Rick Baker - volunteer
 - Peter Alrich – early bird
- Education Report– Larry Birks
 - Volunteers to be educational seminar leaders are needed for 2023
 - Collector Classic Movie Presentation
 - Bus Tour to Featherstone Pottery – pm session full
 - Shakers of Red Wing: Althea Voth 30 attendees
 - Latest Finds on Pottery Road: Dennis Nygaard 52 attendees
 - Red Wing Dinnerware in Trade Publications: Roschen and Moe 42 attendees
 - A Journey Through 20 years Digging the Dump: Austin Fjerestad 62 attendees
 - A Trip Through Time in Downtown Red Wing: Robin Wipperling 30 attendees
- Kids View Report – Wendy Calliccoat/Sue Jones
 - 18 participants – follow the RWCS Facebook page for updates and photos
 - Charles Murphy presentation about Murphy vases. Halstrom's donated flowers for the kids to arrange in their vases
 - Previous Kids View attendees volunteered to assist this year
 - Donations by members are always needed and appreciated so that the kids can learn the skills of observation and negotiation during Kids View Show and Sale

J. RWCS Foundation Report – Danae Quirk

- Congratulation on 45 years of the RWCS!
- 2022 Museum statistics as of July:
 - i. 17441 visitors
 - ii. \$26k in gift shop sales
 - iii. \$5k was raised at the RWCS Foundation BOD "Night at the Museum"
- June 30 – welcomed first river boat tour
- Potters wheels have allowed visitors to feel and touch pottery
- Austin MN PBS filmed a story on Red Wing Pottery and the Museum
- Construction continues on adding more seating to the Museum

K. Recognition of Nancy and Wayne Lambert – Paul Wichert

- "In appreciation of the time and effort, that Nancy Lambert has put in every year to make the RWCS Convention a success, the Board wants to acknowledge this incredible achievement. Nancy has almost single handedly organized every aspect of the Convention and MidWinter Get Togethers. She has written and produced nearly every document and piece of advertising related to the events. She wrote every article and organized the Convention Supplements. She spent over 600 hours getting this year's Convention on the books. I do not think anyone outside of the Board recognizes all that Nancy has done in the background to make our Convention the success that it is. Standing with her in every project is Wayne, her husband, confidant, and supporter.

This Board wants to recognize the dedication, as a token of gratitude of the Red Wing Collectors Society. This Board grants Nancy and Wayne "lifetime membership" in the Red

Wing Collectors Society and registration at all Red Wing Collectors Society events in the future at no cost. Thank you Nancy and Wayne for your unending dedication to the Red Wing Collectors Society."

L. Hall of Fame Induction - Nancy Lambert – recognition of previous inductees

- Larry Birks, presented by Nancy Lambert
- Rick Natynski, presented by Sue Jones

M. New Business

- Donation Recognition:
 - Cannon Valley chapter
 - Golden State chapter
 - Nebraska chapter – in memory of Dottie Kramer
- Announcement of Display Winners –Doug Perkins
 - Mary Lynn Hendrick – Best of Show and People's Choice – Art Pottery
 - Glenn Beall – People's Choice - Dinnerware
 - Maxine Paxson – People's Choice - Stoneware
 - Dan DePasquale – People's Choice – Memorabilia
 - Kathy Roschen – People's Choice - Multimedia
 - Rick Natynski – Rare Item
- Volunteer Thank you

N. Bylaw change vote

- No discussion was heard
- It was decided later in the BOD meeting to make this a counted ballot vote for ease of counting and clarity for the members
- Vote: NO – 160 YES – 70 Bylaw changes rejected

O. Election 2022 – Russa Robinson

- Election process ran from April 19 – June 30
 - i. Electronic ballots: 1374 sent 398 returned 29%
 - ii. Paper ballots: 281 sent 167 returned 60%
 - iii. Total ballots: 1655 sent 565 returned 34%
- Results:
 - i. Vice President – Russa Robinson
 - ii. Treasurer – Larry Birks
 - iii. Historian – Nancy Lambert
 - iv. Representative at Large – Doug Perkins and Chris Tincher

P. Good of the Order

- Doug Perkins asked: Can someone be nominated to fill the open Education position at this time? – No – this position is appointed until the next election and a job description is available to be sent to anyone that requests it.

Q. Adjourn – Safe Travels