

Arizona Woodturners Association -- President's Message -- June, 2016

Good Morning Woodturners,

Last week, your officers met and discussed upcoming club business. I would ask that you take a moment to read the notes from our discussion as this affects your club and will require your input.

1. Bylaws: The club bylaws are in final revision and are almost ready for your input. They will be posted online and hard copies will be available at the June meeting for anyone without access to the internet. We will be asking for a vote to adopt the new bylaws, PROBABLY at the July meeting. Most of the changes do not affect the way we operate the club, but are technical changes that are required for us to be in compliance with corporate law. The one major operational change will be how we address officers as opposed to board members. Board Members and officers are essentially separate entries, with the officers overseeing operational needs, and the board overseeing financial expenditures, making sure the officers do their jobs, etc.

2. A video committee is being formed to research and review potential video upgrades. Ken Northern has been laying the groundwork for this and has a lot of knowledge in this area, but we need some help. Please let me know if this is something you would be interested in. As you may know, our last meeting was streamed online. Future plans are to have our meetings streamed live online so that paid club members who cannot get to the meeting can log in and watch.

3. Inventory! AAARRRRGGGHHHHHH. Anyone who has ever been in business has had to inventory their assets at some point, and our club is no different. The vast majority of our assets live in our storage unit, which is climate controlled. We need a few people willing to spend a few hours at the storage unit and inventory and catalog everything we own.

4. Last but not least, Desert Woodturning Roundup!!! I know we just had one, but the time to start planning our DWR 2018 is fast approaching. Planning takes a solid 18 months at minimum, as the facility and demonstrators set their schedules that far in advance. We need a committee chair person (preferably someone who has been a department head in the past) and about lead volunteers or department heads. I will organize the first orientation meeting at the end of summer/early fall, but please consider a position on the committee now.

Thank you for all you do....

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