

# **WISCONSIN VINTNERS ASSOCIATION**

## **November 12, 2008, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

President Howard Hasselkus called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM at the home of Erv & Bobbie Herman.

**Members in Attendance:** Mike Bell, Dave Brandt, Howard Hasselkus, Erv Herman, Mary Howell, Tim Larsen, Rick Markham, Jim Remus, George Scovronski, Jerry Wanty and Joanne Ziarek, .

Excused Absences: Don Betlej and Tom Courtney.

**Guests in Attendance:** Chuck Howell and Jo Markham,

**Minutes:** The minutes of the October Board meeting were approved as corrected to read that Sally Hasselkus was **not** in attendance as a guest.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mike Bell presented a revised report for September and the report for October (copies attached to official copy of these minutes). On the October report, it was pointed out that in the line item for sale of wine glasses, the price per glass should be \$6.00, not \$5.00. The unaudited reports were accepted and placed on file.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Website**

The issue was tabled until some future meeting because Don Betlej has reported that he has gone as far as he can without Jeff's help. Continuation may result in additional expense.

#### **Club Clothing**

George reported that Mary will have the clothing sale materials at the Harvest Dinner this coming Sunday to enable Holiday gift purchases.

#### **Business Cards**

Rick Markham presented the final artwork for the business cards. The form will be prepared to enable members to place their names and phone numbers on the cards via their computers.

#### **Bios of Life Members**

Bios are in progress and will be presented to the Board at the December Board meeting.

#### **Winemaking Video**

Howard Hasselkus transferred the video to Tim Larsen.

#### **Judging Review Committee**

Don Betlej will be assembling a group, including past participants, to evaluate wine judging procedures used in our club judging and at State Fair.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Dinner Dance**

Howard Hasselkus presented a written report on 5 potential locations for the Dinner-Dance. Following ample discussion, it was M/S/C to have the dinner dance at the Radisson Hotel at Mayfair Road and North Avenue. By consensus, the Italian Buffet at \$33.69 (including service charge, sales tax, and \$5.00 for invitations and the band) was selected. It was then M/S/C to charge admission at either \$25, \$30 or \$35 per person; \$30 was selected by 5 votes, the other two receiving 3 votes each; the balance to be paid by WVA from game proceeds. Preferences were voiced for inclusion of cheese and crackers at an additional cost of \$1.50 per person.

Further discussion was held over disposition of the complimentary hotel room that the Radisson is offering. Erv Herman volunteered to manage a raffle at the Harvest Dinner and December and January meetings, to enable members who will attend the dinner-dance to win use of the room the night of the event.

Joanne Ziarek volunteered to be general Chairperson for the event

### **Budget for 2008-09**

Mike Bell presented the 2008-09 Budget in accordance with discussions at the October Board meeting. The line item for *Winemaker* magazine under 'Expenses' is to be changed to \$412.50 to agree with the same line item under 'Receipts', bringing Total Expenses to \$12,712.50.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Portable Audio System**

Jerry Wanty reported that he has purchased the desired system and will have it for use at the Harvest Dinner.

### **Upcoming Events and Meetings:**

**Annual Harvest Dinner:** November 16<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm, Clifford's.

**December Board Meeting:** December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Howard and Sally Hasselkus's home.

**December Membership Meeting:** December 10<sup>th</sup>: Commercial Critical Wine Tasting

**January 7<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting:** George & Mary Scovronski's home

**January 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting:** Rick & Jo Markham's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Dave Brandt,** Recording Secretary