

Tri-County Beard & Mustache Society
Meeting Minutes- December 21st, 2017

1. TCBMS held a meeting December 21st, 2017 at the Lapel Eagles #4323, start time 7:10pm
-Members present were Standard: Jeremiah Crafton, Melissa Crafton, Jeff Wren, Cory Hemp, John Blair, Ty Chittum, John Gilson, Chris Mershon
Support: Laurie Reynolds, Karen Gilson, Mandy Mershon, Brandi Chittum
Guest: Haylee Hemp
Previous minutes were read by Jeremiah and approved.
2. Treasurer's Report- As of today, bank balance is \$10,172.81. We paid postage for online orders \$7.20. Need to purchase: \$100 of groceries to Lapel Food Bank, \$100 to Lapel Community Band for 2018 Sponsorship. Approved. Unanimous.
3. Sponsor Shirts started October 21st, the color chosen for 2018 is "Blue Moon" with white ink. Melissa posted the details online. \$25 gets you a shirt and name/logo on the back. Monies and orders due by 1/7/18.
4. Upcoming Competitions: Pints and Whiskers review (Melissa took 2nd), Whiskermania 3 Louisville Kentucky 1/27/18, Bearded Hero Ft. Wayne 4/20-4/21/18
5. Remember to use your Amazon Smile account when you shop on Amazon and we will receive a small donation on each qualifying purchase! Same with your Kroger cards!
6. Ashley will bring Montgomery Steakhouse info to next meeting (not here this meeting)
7. Annual competition discussion- We would like to keep our competition at the Eagles Lapel for as long as we can. We have yet to outgrow the venue, but are getting close.
8. 2018 Meetings: Dates are posted online for 2018 meetings. Subject to change. Locations are not yet decided for once a quarter in a different location. Will decide the month before the meeting is to take place.
9. Mac Attack Podcast cannot remain kid-friendly. Ty will continue to support us in this endeavor, as do we, but we cannot share it on our social media. But definitely listen, follow and check it out!
10. We will continue to collaborate with American Legion Post #608- We received a nice thank you letter with a group photo of all of the organization members at the dinner. They need supplies such as paint, brushes, wood, etc. We will get with CJ and see what their exact needs are so we can help them as they help us.
11. Barlow's- Matt Barlow- would like to start carrying our product, specifically mustache wax, in his shop. Jeremy will get with him to see how many tins he'd like the next time he goes to Kokomo for a beard trim (next weekend).
12. Golf Outing Date set for 5/20/18 (this is the fun one). We need to discuss further if we want to stay at Grandview or look somewhere else.
13. Fortville Feeders (Crouse House) offering space for a campout- will revisit at a 2018 meeting. We're looking at 8/3-8/5.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Two new member applications: Haylee Hemp (support) and Eric Wertz (standard). All in favor- approved-unanimous
2. Discussion of dates proposed: October 20th or October 27th. Jeremy makes a motion for October 27th because Beard Barons competition on October 13th and Jeremy reached out to Ethan of Mercer County before the meeting and they have not yet planned a date. Melissa, Jeff, Chris 2nd. Unanimous for October 27th. We will still discuss a smaller 2nd competition, that is kid friendly, during the lapel village fair (July 13/14).

3. Rugged (Corey Cole) helped us out of a scam for a very large order of products off of our website. Jeremy and Melissa shared details (Thank you Corey!)
4. We need to get a new debit/credit card reader. Spark Pay by Capitol One is ending its services at the end of January 2018. Melissa will bring information to the next meeting on other service providers. We can still use PayPal.
5. The presentation at the Prison will be reoccurring. We thought that this was a one-time recognition/donation dinner, however, we were informed that this is an ongoing collaboration.
6. New competition for calendars- Beards for Brains and Bridges- February 10th 2018- Kokomo, Indiana. Merlin Wagler is doing a 2nd year competition at the Event Center.
7. Melissa needs to order more tins and bottles for 2018 product, cost is over \$100 so she needs approval. Jeremy makes a motion to approve purchase. Jeff, Chris 2nd. All in favor.
8. Mandy and Chris Mershon brought up items for discussion: Chris- Gents Barbershop- Mandy- New Pal/Warren Central school connection.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm