January 17, 2012 Zumbro Valley Wood Turners Board meeting came to order at 7:00 PM at Gander Mountain Conference Room.

Board Members Present:

President Frank (Duff) Bement, Vice President Todd VanDerWalker, Bill Beckman, David Dunn, Wayne Van-Every, Gar Pronk, Lyle Solem, Secretary Debbie Bement

Wayne Van-Every presented the treasure report. Presently, there is \$890.00 with an additional \$122.00 being deposited from the December raffle, making a total of \$1012. Bill Beckman made the first motion to accept the report and Todd VanDerWalker seconded the motion.

New Business:

The 2012 monthly demos were discussed in great detail. A tentative schedule is planned for 2012, which will be more formalized as confirmations are made with each presenter.

The January 27th, 2012 meeting will have Lyle Solem and Duff Bement demonstrating sharpening and honing techniques. Duff will bring in his wolverine system and Gar Pronk will bring in his grinder.

The February 24th, 2012 meeting will be on Inside Out Turning by Merle Peterson.

Jan Judish donated a lathe for the club to use during the winter months. Duff will contact New Haven Township to see if the club can store the lathe in their building. Lyle offered some wood 60" long he has for the base for the lathe.

Comments from the questionnaire that was completed by members were discussed. Many comments are being incorporated in the 2012 demos and challenges.

Duff Bement applied for a grant through the AAW website for \$100.00 for the club to purchase safety equipment for club demos. Zumbro Valley Wood Turners are on a list of clubs whom applied, however there is no word back from AAW yet.

Lyle brought to the attention of the board a list of ideas as to "HOW DOES A GREAT CLUB GET BETTER?" (See attachment) Excellent conversations occurred with the following initiative of getting the club more known: Bill Beckman is going to invite a reporter to one of our club meetings. Any additional ideas as how we can let the public know Zumbro Valley Wood Turners Club exists are most welcome.

The mentor list online needs updating. Please let it be known if any reassignment or additions should occur on the mentor list. Discussions occurred with ways of learning new techniques.

Dennis Holt has joined his wife Marjorie at Modonna Meadows. Unfortunately, Marjorie's health is fading. Cards may be sent to both Dennis and Marjorie Holt at Modonna Meadows, 3035 Salem Meadows Drive, Rochester, MN 55902-2847. Many thoughts and prayers are with both Dennis and his wife Marjorie.

Old Business:

Dave Dunn, Bill Beckman and Todd VandeWalker will join forces "interclub" to determine base criteria for club turning donations for consignment. The club has discussed putting turned items in consignment in the past as a means to earn money.

Lyle brought to the attention of the board, THINK Bank is the bank selected for the clubs checking account. It is a federal requirement to have an EIN number for the Club. Treasurer Wayne Van-Every will go on line to obtain an EIN. Debbie Bement will provide a letter for the clubs president to sign stating the club has chosen THINK banking and that the club is not incorporated. Gar Pronk volunteered to review the by-laws dated 2/24/09. Gar will note if there are any changes or updates needed at this time.

It was determined club dues will remain the same for year 2012. Additional money will be earned with raffles or turning donations for consignment. *Garr Pronk made a motion to accept the decision and Bill Beckman second the motion*. Club dues will remain the same as in 2011.

The next board meeting will be held on April 10^{th} , 2012 at Gander Mountain. Members are invited to attend as desired.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Bement