

# Treasure Valley Wine Society Board Minutes April 29, 2014 for May Event



Present: Board Members- Gail McClellan Parker, Carl Abrahamson, Dianne Barker, Barbara Friedman, Bridgette Gibson, Craig Luttig, Sharon Oelrich, Val Stack  
Honorary Members- Cheryl Gibson, Toni Smith

Call to order—President Gail McClellan: meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m.

**Secretary Report:** – April’s report accepted as issued.

**Treasurers Report:** - The April event showed a profit of \$76 from the tasting. The last of our membership dues were collected helping our positive cash position. The report was accepted as presented.

## **Event Business Discussion**

### **April—Bodovino in Boise--Kathy (report given by Gail)**

The tasting featured a variety of six Cabernets including several appetizers. Thirty people attended which was the event maximum. Feedback was mostly positive; the presenter gave excellent, knowledgeable information. However, the meeting room was quite noisy making it necessary for the presenter to move from table to table in order to be heard and understood. Some people commented the appetizers were on the skimpy side, but at the MeadowLake venue, we are accustomed to what amounts to a full meal including appetizers and dessert. We did not expect that amount of food, knowing Bodovino’s menu selection is somewhat limited. It was not specified that gratuity and tax would be added to the bill so spending was higher than anticipated. In spite of the higher price, we made a \$76 profit and we have six bottles of Cabernet left for future use.

### **May Tasting—May 14—Huston Winery—Kathy Johnson**

We will serve six wines: three white and three red. These include a pre-release Malbec and their newest release, a 2013 Huston Riesling. A special menu has been selected to accompany the wines, featuring springtime and local foods. Room set up is to have the buffet table in the back of the room, two-sided; round tables for seating and a table for appetizers and non-event wine made by and provided by Larry Kornze: one white, one rosé, and one red .  
Greg and Mary will be selling wines.

### **June Tasting—June 11 –Blue Moose Café—Sharon Oelrich**

Conversation with Marcy indicates price per person (excluding wine) would not exceed \$15 per person; slightly higher than our usual; includes salad but not dessert. Menu to be decided later: Sharon will talk with Marcy and we may have an email poll to determine menu selection. Barbara and Sharon will handle appetizers. Wines will be available for purchase.

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## **July—picnic—July 9—Indian Creek Winery—Kathy Johnson**

Start at 6:00 p.m. Buy usual case of wine by TVWS. This will be our usual picnic with potluck dishes to share, bring your own meat, dishes and utensils. We will decide how to divide potluck dishes into appetizers, salads, sides and desserts later.

## **Events Discussed Previously**

### **September 10—Val Stack<sup>1</sup>**

Basque Market; they can arrange food (tapas?) and wine through a distributor.

### **October 8—Cheryl Gibson—To be discussed at next meeting**

Twig Bistro at Meridian Village

### **November Ideas—To be discussed at next meeting**

- Meritage Wine
- Patrick Williamson, educational program, plus Williamson wines (also, sell)
- Survey suggestions: Spain, France, Sherry tasting, Cheese and wine pairing

### **December 10—To be discussed at next meeting**

Annual Sparkling Wine Event—Dianne Barker

## **Committee reports**

### **Old Business:**

Craig will continue with Evite cleanup using inputs and responses.

Discussion ensued concerning the number of offsite (not Meadowlake) venues for meetings. Change of scenery is a positive, cost is a negative. We don't want to jeopardize our price and availability benefits with too many monthly events at other locations. Discussions will continue to ascertain our options.

### **New Business:**

None discussed.

The May board meeting was closed and adjourned at approximately 8:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Luttig, Secretary

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<sup>1</sup> With Val's resignation, we will need to make another choice for September.