



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Saturday, August 3, 2019**  
**West Baton Rouge Museum**

**Invocation** - Harold Choate

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Club

**Welcome – Bob Chambers**

One visitor introduced himself.

**Secretary Report** – Harold Choate

Total active members- 55, Attendance for July-55 (meeting cancelled because of Hurricane Barry) everyone was given credit for a meeting participation, Average Monthly Attendance-37.7.

**Treasurer Report** – Brian Fitzgerald by Bob Chambers

Starting Balance: \$???

Deposit: \$???

Spent: \$???

Ending Balance: \$6125.17 Lighthouse sent us a check for \$800.56.

Currently we have 55 paid members.

**Webmaster Report** – Kesh Ikuma

Reviewed results of response to the tool survey. 30% of those responding said they were not interested in a club sponsored tutorial on use of a specific tool. 70% said you would be interested. Bob Chambers brought the lack of response he had to a similar question to the attention of the group. We will be addressing this topic in the Executive Meeting today and will consider both responses in the discussion. 29 people responded to the survey out of 55 active members.

**Vice President Report** – Jim Landry

The September meeting will be at PMC in Hammond. Jeff Springer will be doing a skill topic on chairs. Due to the Labor Day Holiday the September meeting will be held on Sept. 7. If you have paid your money to attend the St. Joseph's Abbey meeting and cannot make the rescheduled date in November please contact the treasurer, Brian Fitzgerald, to receive a refund. We need to start developing the skill topics for next year's meetings. I plan to send a simple survey out by email asking what skill topics you would like to see and if you will do a presentation for one of the meetings. The survey will also ask if you will host a meeting and if you have any particular likes or dislikes about the club and its activities.

**Service Projects Report** – Lee Owens

Keith Bryan built 4 rocking chairs for a veteran's retirement facility. We're building 40 small boxes for the same organization. The small boxes are for storage of personal items. We've been asked to

build 24 chests of drawers. The proposal must be made and submitted to the client's board of directors for execution next year. A show of hands by those willing to work on this project was taken. 20 people present indicated they will participate. We have 2 project pending approval by the Lighthouse for the blind. One is the circular reception desk, the other is shelves for computers. We have not been given any status pro or con about these projects. Lighthouse is having a grand reopening ceremony on August 16. All the BRWW members are invited to attend.

### **Educational Outreach Report – Educational Outreach Report By**

Report on Arts and Sciences Museum exhibition. Warren Dufrene and Keith Bryan report on status of Birdhouse Kit project. We have 10 kid size hammers. Screws and nails will be provided by the club. We still have 47 pieces of lumber to make kits with. The plans are on the website. Don't forget to make donuts for the kits. Warren has a bunch of them if needed. Keith went over the need for workbenches. The club has 3, if anyone has a Workmate, they want to bring it would be helpful. Keith made some containers to hold the correct length nails for all the tables. Keith made an assembly jig that makes putting the first pieces together very easy. Be sure to drill the holes for the nails. Use a 5/64" diameter drill. Warren asked anyone who has wood they want to donate to contact him. He will take care of planning and any other questions you have. Keith announced there would be a check in procedure so we will have a record of how many birdhouse kits each of us brings. The birdhouse project counts as the October meeting.

### **Additional topics:**

Election of officers will be done in December because of the trip to St. Joseph's Abbey in November. There are other changes that are needed and will be announced as they come due. Thanks to Shawn and Kesh for they work they've done that enables us to retrieve data on individual members participation. 27 people have not met the project requirements. There are a number of opportunities before the end of the year so this should not be a problem. 23 people have already met the meeting requirement. Bob passed the attendance sheet around again so everyone can be sure they've signed in.

### **Safety Minute – Bob Chambers**

The dangers of using alcohol. Methanol is very toxic. We use denatured alcohol. Methanol is used to make denatured alcohol. Be sure to be in a well-ventilated area whenever you are using denatured alcohol. Non grain raising die has significant amounts of methanol in it. Long story short check to see if the chemical you are using has methanol as a component.

### **Skill Topic: Warren Dufrene – Joinery**

#### **Show & Tell –**

Bob Chambers
Harold Choate
Warren Dufrene

Lee Owens
Jackie Parker
David Ringuette

**In Attendance –**

Bob Chambers
Harold Choate
Keith Devall
Warren Dufrene
Cody Henderson
Kesh Ikuma
Jim Landry
Angela LeBlanc
George Lewis
Wayne Matherne

Kurt Mihalik
Arthur Miller
Douglas Morgan
John Murphy
Keith Nordyke
Lee Owens
Jackie Parker
Dale Ragel
David Ringuette

Richard Robles
Lee Soileaux
Jeff Springer
Hays Town
Shawn Walker
Frank Wharton
David Young