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Valley of the Moon Dilettante Enological Society Newsletter October, 2007

President: Jack Bertram, 938-2310

Secretary/Treasurer: Doug Ghiselin, 996-8967

Vice President & Winemaster: Vickie Scharnicow, 933-4400

Meeting of October 11, 2007

President Bertram called the meeting to order at 7:35. We had 20 members present.

Old Business:

The 2007 Celebration Committee reported that they are moving along quite nicely. Members wishing to pour at the Celebration should get their "pouurer's form" submitted to Chris ASAP. Auction items continue to be received. We are in good shape with respect to the silent auction.. At the September meeting, Chris Kukshel took on the task of addressing the issue of multiple wine competitions with Vintage Festival folks. This action is ongoing.

2.. The audit committee, consisting of Al Miotich (chairman), Bill Harris and Mitchell Shapiro, has not met

3. Chris Kukshel accepted the task of looking into expanding the membership and determining if our current meeting format is what the members want. At the July meeting we held a discussion regarding a proposal to have "Wine Making Workshops" at member's homes. The purpose would be to see what others are doing and perhaps discuss a problem and how one of our members had solved it. A thought was that we would try to get industry wine makers and cellar managers involved in these workshops. Chris will include this issue in his tasking.

4. Ghiselin reported that he had no additional information regarding the upcoming Home Winemakers Conference being planned for this fall. The conference is being put together by Wine Maker Magazine and will be held in Rohnert Park. This item is pending input from the organizers

New Business

1. Ghiselin reported that the Herricks will again host our Christmas party. The party will be held on Dec. 9.

Treasurers Report

1. Ghiselin did not have a treasurer's report.

VOMDES Calendar

/Oct/Nov. Business meeting

Dec. Christmas party.

Speaker

Our speaker was Stephanie Dunn, President of the Sonoma Valley Sun. She gave us many suggestions regarding publicity for our functions. Chris will include this subject in his tasking of reviewing our membership and meetings format.

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