**LAMORINDA WINEGROWERS ASSOCIATION (LWGA)**

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES**

**7:00 pm, December 7, 2015**

**Dave Rey’s Residence**

**I. Call to Order**

Leslie Ward called meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Attending:

* Leslie Ward, President
* Tim Wedlake, Treasurer
* Bill Scanlin, CIO/Board Member
* Bill English, Board Member
* David Rey, Board Member
* Larry Thal, Board Member
* Saied Nazeri, Secretary
* Carol Haag, Vice President
* Tony Inzerillo, Board Member
* Scott ……(Partial Attendance)

Not in Attendance:

* Susan Captain, Board Member

**II. Discussion**

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| **Discussion Item**  | **Action By** |
| 1. Approval of October Board meeting: Leslie made a motion to approve the minutes. Bill Scanlin seconded, everyone approved.

**Action**: None  | Info |
| 1. Treasury report by Tim Wedlake:

$2,100 available in account after payments of last insurance premiums.We have $1,200 in accounts receivable. **Action**: None | Info |
| 1. Libation: Wine glass sales for libation.

**Action** Leslie to bring the LWGA wine glasses, Tony Inzerillo will take the lead to sell the glasses.  | Bill, Leslie  |
| 1. Previous late LWGA tax filings: Tim reported that prior late flings have been corrected. Future filings will be handled every January. The delay situation is resolved. That board thanked Tim for resolving.

**Action**: None.   | Info |
| 1. Election Procedures: The board needs bio applications by those board members wishing to apply for re-elections in 6 weeks. Those up for re-election are: Carol, Saied, Susan, Bill Scanlin, and Dave.

**Action**: Bios required by board members asap.  | Board members up for reelection. |
| 1. IT Report: Bill Scanlin is looking for web site content, Ad posts, classified ads. We need more activity on the web site.

**Action**: Bill will post a note to promote a 60-day free online ad to wineries, real estate agents and vineyard management companies.  | Bill S  |
| 1. Next Board Members: In January 2016.
 | Info |
| 1. AVA Report: Dave Rey confirmed with Patric Shabram and we are still in legal review. It could be approved anytime. Eagle Hill just received an AVA.

There is no officially scheduled date until the final AVA ruling is published in the Federal Register.  The official date is 30 days after that publication.  April 1 is an estimate based upon Patrick Shabram's experience with the TTB.  He also thinks it is more likely to be sooner than later. By the way, the legal review has nothing to do with the legality of our AVA; it is simply proofreading what will be published.  AVA map, the board should discuss a strategy on AVA map development. A few points of concern are:* + Reluctance of some members to be shown on the map
	+ Reality that none of the wineries have a public tasting room

Harvest report: Dave Rey is waiting to hear back from the County on what data they need collected.  Information is needed before our Board meeting on January 11.  Dave presented the idea in large part as a pretense for a serious membership drive.  The idea was to try and mobilize the membership at the next meeting with information on non-member vineyards in their neighborhoods in an effort to get existing members to both recruit new members and gather the data that the County needed and that we wanted for purposes of baselining the AVA activity.  We should plan to decide on January 11 if this is something we want to commit to or not.Harvest Report: Dave Rey has discussed wine harvest data collection for Contra Costa County. **Action**: 1. Further discussion on direction with map development in our next board meeting.
2. Decision on go/no-go on Harvest report involvement.

  | Dave  |
| 1. Education committee: Nothing to report this time

**Action** None. | Info  |
| 1. New Committee: Bill English suggested formation of a web site committee.

The board also discussed a Membership committee. The board agreed to promote the new committee formations and recruit new members during the next general meeting. **Action**: To recruit new members during next general meeting.  | The Board |
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**Next General Meeting** – January 31, 2016

**Next Board Meeting**– January 11, 2016. Dave Rey Residence.

**Unfinished Business, Follow-Up Business, To Do List**

***Actions:***

1. See action column

**III. Adjournment**

Leslie Ward asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned 9:22 pm

**PREPARED BY Saied Nazeri, LWGA 12/27/15, Updated 1/8/2016.**

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