



PENNSYLVANIA WINE SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2024

Call To Order

President Robyn Meadows called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

In Attendance: Board members – Lynne Beeson, Scott Casper, Robyn Meadows, and Stevie Posey. Patron Member Guests – Barry Hixson, Matthew Point.

Review and Approval of November Minutes

MOTION 1: Scott Casper moved to approve the November 11th minutes previously distributed. Stevie Posey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report delayed. Lynne Beeson will email when complete and it may be approved at the January meeting.

Newsletter and Website Update

NEWSLETTER: Lynne Beeson shared next **deadline of December 22nd for January Wine Cellar issue** including articles for Syrah and Women in Wine events. Content suggestions for *From the Board* may be emailed to Robyn.

WEBSITE: Lynne Beeson requested blogs for the website. **Action Items:** Lynne will have Champagne for *What You Missed* a recipe and wine pairing for *Vittles and Vine*. Other blogs needed for Wine Knowledge, BYOB or Carry Out reviews, Archaeological Finds, and Wine Worthy restaurant reviews. Please help out by volunteering and send to Lynne by December 22nd.

Board Election Results

Scott Casper shared election results. 42% response rate – higher than last year, which is good. All candidates on the ballot were elected to the 2025 PWS Board. Congratulations to all.

President – Robyn Meadows
Vice-President – Scott Casper
Treasurer – Lynne Beeson
Director '27 – John May
Director '26 – Matthew Point
Director '25 – Barry Hixson
Director '25 – David Killian

Robyn thanked Stevie Posey for her service to the board and commented on her skills and talents.

Past Events

- **Champagne Brunch**, Sunday, December 1st – Lynne Beeson Host/Robyn Meadows Cohost. Comments included: Matt's Ice Imperial idea was a great idea! All Champagnes great. All food great. Crème Brûlée was well done. Everything went very nicely. Some people wanted more information about wines at the event. One server did not know what the tobiko was on the salmon terrine because "it is not on the regular menu". This could be an

issue if someone has an undisclosed allergy, etc. Feedback given to Greystone contacts regarding this and one wine that was overpoured. Best future practice may be to keep the back-up flight of wines with the host so that servers need to ask for them.

New Hilton Costs

Lynne Beeson reviewed 2025 Hilton price increases and impact to line items on the PWS event budget template tool and answered questions. Lynne always available for questions as hosts start to use the tool in planning events.

Upcoming Events

- **The Softer Side of Syrah**, Friday, February 28th – John May Host/Lynne Beeson Cohost. Planning to taste Syrahs John selected on Sunday to decide final inclusions and then get back with the Hilton on small plates proposed.
- **Women in Wine**, Sunday, March 23rd – Robyn Meadows Host/Lynne Beeson Cohost. This will be a luncheon at Greystone. Greystone has been contacted about menu for luncheon. Tasting white wines now. There will most likely be a sparkling greeting wine. Also, reds to be determined.

New Business

- Lynne Beeson shared interest of a new Board candidate, Rick Zendarski, who will join us for the January Board Meeting. After everyone meets Rick and gets to know a bit about his interest, a motion to add Rick to the Board may be entered for consideration.

Adjournment

President Robyn Meadows moved to adjourn the meeting and hearing no objections adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.