



BRITISH COLUMBIA AMATEUR WINEMAKERS ASSOCIATION

Agenda General Meeting March 10, 2019  
940 Ewen Avenue New Westminster, British Columbia V3M 5C8  
11:00 am estimated (when Vancouver Island members arrive)

**Agenda**

- 1) Welcome and Call to Order, John McMaster
- 2) Toast by Host Club – xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
- 3) Approval of Agenda
- 4) Approval of October 14, 2018 minutes
- 5) Reports:
  - a. Treasurer - John Matkovich
    - i. (need motion to change bank...)
  - b. Provincial Chief Steward 2019 – Doug Markin , Nanaimo Winemakers
  - c. National Directors Report (AWC) – Doug Markin
  - d. Guild Master's Report – Mary Homer
  - e. Archivist Report, Robin McNeil
- 6) Unfinished Business
  - a. Revised BCAWA Class Descriptions: No comments received
    - i. Need motion to accept revised descriptions as circulated.
    - ii. This is required immediately to publish for 2019 Provincials
  - b. Motion to approve revised BCAWA Handbook
    - i. One comment received: see Note 1 on following page for details.
    - ii. Need motion to accept revised Handbook as circulated.
  - c. 2019 Provincial Crush Update, Rob Martino
  - d. Committee to investigate alternative methods of funding and organizing the Provincial and National competitions. Progress Report – Doug Markin
  - e. Committee to investigate alternative methods of calculating the BCAWA Winemaker of the Year. Progress Report – Larry McIntyre
- 7) New Business
  - a. 2019 AWC Competition – VAWA has agreed to host
  - b. 2019 BCAWA Provincial Competition
    - i. need wording for New - Z Class: 2017 BCAWA Club Crush (Zinfandel) – see suggested wording Note 2 on next page
- 8) Next Meeting: AGM May 25, 2019, Nanaimo BC
- 9) Adjourn

## **Note 1:**

### **Competition Handbook**

At the last meeting it was noted that in Part II – Provincial Competition Duties, the “Duties of the Chief Steward” section of the draft Handbook had been changed from:

NOTE: All Judges should be selected from the BC Guild of Wine Judges.

To:

NOTE: All Judges should be selected from the BC Guild of Wine Judges. If a non BCGWJ person is deemed to be “equivalent to a wine judge” or if trainee is used, then they should be paired with a certified BCGWJ to maintain consistency.

The concern was over who would deem such equivalency and John McMaster volunteered to contact the Guild for clarification. Mary Homer (Guild Master) replied that she agreed that the “equivalent to a wine judge” should be removed and offered the following replacement:

“Any BCAWA club Competition Chief Stewards are asked to select wine judges for their competition from the BC Guild of Wine Judges. The Competition Chief Steward is to contact the Statistician for the BC Guild of Wine Judges to determine in which varietals or classes each of the Qualified Judges, Newly-certified Judges, and Trainees are certified.

All Qualified Judges should be placed to judge the wine varietals in which they are qualified, whenever possible.

Newly-certified Judges and Trainees may also be placed to judge wine varietals in which they are qualified, provided they are paired with a Qualified Judge in that same varietal.

Newly-certified Judges and/or Trainees that are not qualified in any varietals (as at the date of the subject competition) should be utilized as wine stewards and given the opportunity to participate fully at the judging table alongside the other two qualified Judges.”

## **Note 2:**

### **Class Z. Provincial Crush**

In the 2019 Provincial Competition this class will consist of wines made from the 2017 Provincial Crush which was Jessie Grove Zinfandel grapes.

Entries must be made from 100% Zinfandel grapes received through the Provincial Crush program. No blending is allowed.

While winemakers could choose to make any style of wine from the grapes, for the purpose of this competition the intended style of the wine is dry red, with a description similar to that of E4, but with the restrictions noted in the paragraph above.