Tavern Spinners and Weavers Guild

Meeting Minutes - November 18, 2026

Show and Tell

Call to Order by Jan at 10:33AM

Attendance: Tom, Becky, Jan, Anita, Elizabeth, Heather, Kristen, Melinda, George, Kathy. Visitors: Bob and Dennie

October 2026 Minutes - Anita moved / Tom seconded and minutes unanimously accepted

Reports

Treasurer/Membership – Anita advised sales in September were $512.00, donation of $1,000 in memory of Cheryl Ambrose, interest and weaving class income of $200.00. Expenses included Loom Dalton, yarn, MAFA membership, weaving class expenses, and loom mover for the class, totaling $1,300.00. More information can be found in the treasurer's book in the Yellow Cat Studio.

Foundation – Anita said that Golden Village Christmas still needs gifts for men and for the afternoon shift - elves for welcoming, wrapping and helping the kids. The finance committee is now using QuickBooks for the foundation and new guidelines have been written for how to handle the monies. Café volunteers are keeping the kitchen going till a new manager can be interviewed and hired. The volunteers will meet potential applicants to everyone can assure the new manager will be a good fit. The woodworkers building progress continues. The Artisan Show went well and Pat Riley is accepting feedback. Fundraising letters for the foundation will be going out soon. The nomination committee is working on a slate of nominees for the annual meeting, Jan. 21. Please mark your calendar so you can attend. The blacksmith guild has been busy making stair railings, hinges and fasteners and many are being ordered by churches. The foundation monthly meeting minutes will be out soon.

Studio/Yarn Status/Sales – 61 towels sold in October. Jan brought a card for us to sign for family of Mr. Mosley who has passed away. Our guild bought a lot of his remaining 8/2 yarns and other sizes that we use. Once Jan gets it sorted, it will be available for members to buy. MoPurl business was bought by someone in North Carolina and that business will start after first of the year. Try to get your woven items in before Dec. 5, GVC.

Social Media - Kathy advised our Show and Tell pics are up to date. Take a look!

MAFA/Other Guilds – Becky submitted a grant application to MAFA asking for $3300 so we can have a traveling kit of items available when we represent our guild and the foundation at events in the community. The grant asked for 2 canopies with side curtains, signage, a bobbin winder and other misc items related to spinning and weaving.

Reminder: MAFA has scholarships available up to $500 for 1st time attendees at their annual conference next June.

Equipment – Loom Dalton, 8 shaft Mighty Wolf has been purchased by our guild and moved into the studio. The break needs work and possible new parts.

Old Business

Annual Holiday Luncheon for TSWG will be held in the café, pot luck, Dec. 16, Wednesday, after our December monthly meeting at 10:00AM. Dec.23 meeting moved to Dec.16 due to Christmas holiday. Please bring something yummy to share !

Yarn Sources – Jan passed out list to each attending member with information about suppliers and web sites. Let Jan know if you need a copy.

Artisan Show Recap - Our guild made over $700 at the Artisan Show.

New Business

Next Beginning Weaving Class – dates set Mar.19-21. Set up will be on Mar.18. The class is listed on the Tavern website.

Golden Village Christmas – Dec. 5, Saturday. We need towels!

Lessons Learned/Tidbits: Facebook site – Weaver's Marketplace is a good source if you need a loom or accessories. You can set to "within miles" away from where you are.
Heather has a free loom available. More info – contact her at hmbedford@grotonmail.com
Silk does not shrink, so be careful when weaving it with another type of thread.

Adjourned at 11:21AM

Minutes submitted by

Melinda K. Floom, secretary