Second meeting of the Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers
Saturday, June 16, 11:00 A.M.  John Skewes shop, Kensington, N.H.

John Skewes opened the meeting, everyone introduced themselves and discussed their interests in woodworking.

Paul Tuller said that all levels of woodworking were welcome.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read, Paul read the official papers for incorporation and mentioned that he still needs an ID number but could accept dues at this meeting.

Roy Noyes said he should hold onto the checks until the account is opened.

The amount of the dues was discussed and $15 was voted upon and accepted unanimously.

John Skewes asked if there should be residency requirements for the Guild. Peter Bloch talked of a woodworker just over the border and the League of N.H. Craftsmen's requirement - i.e., within 10 miles of the border. Two types of membership were discussed, in-state and out-of-state. Paul was against dual membership. He said it won't hurt anyone if out of state people join. There was further discussion about the issue and a suggestion was made that a committee be formed to make a proposal at the next meeting.

John Skewes talked about his visit with John McAlevey to the AVA Gallery in Lebanon. John McAlevey reported that it would cost $750 to have a show there and that it wasn't "workable." He contacted the Sharon Arts Center and a show there would be free and would run for 6 weeks. Paul Tuller also talked with the Sharon Arts Center director and found that there was a slot open for Thanksgiving - Christmas (1991?)

John Skewes talked about planning a show and his worries that the Guild would be spreading itself too thin by trying too many shows. Joe A. asked about setting up at malls. Further discussion about malls and marketing followed with some participants avidly against association with malls. Paul suggested setting up committees to resolve these problems.

Terry Moore suggested one show at a time and that the primary focus of the group was not marketing. John Skewes reiterated the basic philosophy of the Guild.

Joe Ai. said he was interested in learning new techniques. Paul Tuller wants to bring everyone into a cohesive group and suggested forming committees to hash out problems and bring them back to a future meeting to be approved or disapproved.
John McAlevey said his interest was in working wood not marketing.

Paul Tuller announced that the next meeting will be at his shop and will be listed in Fine Woodworking and Woodshop News.

Dave Emerson talked about the Shaker Village and the meeting broke for lunch.

After lunch John Skewes gave his presentation on how he runs his business and makes furniture. This program was extremely thorough.

The meeting was then adjourned.