



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Board of Director's Meeting**

**April 25, 2018, Wednesday @ 7:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time**

**Webinar Meeting**

## **MINUTES**

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Richard Newman, Chair  
Jay Holloway, Vice Chair  
Leroy Baker, Secretary  
Chris Miller, Treasurer  
Tom Bartels, Director  
John Cote, Director

Robert Gary, Director  
Phil Gregory, Director  
David Lee, Director  
Philip Morris, Director  
Tim Orr, Director  
Carroll Wolfe, Director

### **EX-OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS**

Tom Wilcox, Executive Director

### **OTHERS PRESENT FOR ALL OR PART OF THE MEETING**

Renee Coulson  
Patricia Holloway

Mary Ann Wahlner

1. Call to Order – Chair Rich Newman called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 7:03 p.m. EDT.
2. Welcome, Introductions & Meeting Procedures – Chair Newman welcomed all members in attendance and reminded them that we will take comments and questions right before we enter Executive Session near the end of the meeting.
3. Roll Call: A Roll Call was taken to establish a quorum. Present: Bartels, Baker, Gregory, Gary, Holloway, Miller, Morris, Newman, Orr, Wolfe; Absent: Cote, Lee.
4. Announcements: Chair Newman reported on the progress of the NEC in securing candidates for next year's elections. Directors are encouraged to solicit additional nominees. The Chair also reported on discussion to reconstitute the Midwest Regional, formerly held near Chicago. Additional Midwest chapters in Indiana and Missouri are being contacted about the possibilities. Chair Newman also reminded Board members to use the Message Board private discussion area instead of email for discussing Board business. The Message Board provides a secure area that is archived and searchable for our discussions.

David Lee joined during agenda item 4.

5. **MOTION:** Made by Secretary Baker, seconded by Treasurer Miller. Move approval of the minutes of the February 21, 2018 meeting as written. **Motion carried.** Voting Yea: Bartels, Baker, Gregory, Gary, Holloway, Lee, Miller, Morris, Newman, Orr, Wolfe; Voting Nay: None; Absent: Cote.
6. Item: Establish the next BOD meeting dates. The Board discussed the frequency and length of future Board meetings. Our next webinar meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. EDT. Our next physical meeting is scheduled prior to the annual convention:

Tuesday, July 17th:	Dinner with staff
Wednesday, July 18th:	Board Meeting 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 19th:	Board Meeting 8:00 a.m. to 12:01 p.m.

John Cote joined the meeting during agenda item 6.

7. FY2018 Preliminary Financial Results – Treasurer Miller reviewed the preliminary financial results for FY18 that ended March 31, 2018. Our investments lost money in the month of March with the market downturn, but are still up by about 9% for the fiscal year. Our loss of approximately \$11k was much smaller than the budgeted loss of approximately \$60k.
8. New web site status and approach – Executive director Wilcox reported on progress of the redesigned website. The beta testing cycle has been completed and a page by page inventory is underway. Discussion ensued on some specifics of various pages such as the chapter directory and the membership levels pages. The initial release of the new design to members and the public is expected within the next couple of weeks.
9. For All Time Campaign Update – Director Gary reported that there has been a good increase recently in first time donors. This bodes well for the future as many first time donors become ongoing donors.

Director Bartels requested resumption of the regular monthly standardized reports to the Board on the For All Time campaign. Chair Newman suggested the information be added to the monthly financial received by the Board.

#### 10. National Conventions

- 10.1. 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & Convention Update – Chair Newman and Executive Director Wilcox provided an update on the plans for activities to recognize the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the NAWCC at our annual convention in July. E.D. Wilcox reported that the z-space demo is in Columbia and hopes are to have it operational for the celebration. The CEO of Hamilton Watches may attend. Roland Murphy is making a special watch to recognize the anniversary. There is also special recognition planned for our members who are veterans and for those currently serving.

There are educational lectures scheduled every hour at the Museum on Thursday. The rest of the weekend's education takes place at the convention in York, with specialty chapter meetings and significant lectures.

#### 10.2. 2020 Site Approval

**MOTION:** Made by Chair Newman, seconded by Director Wolfe. To approve Dayton, Ohio as the site for the 2020 National Convention as presented by the Convention Committee.

**Motion carried.** Voting Yea: Baker, Cote, Gregory, Gary, Holloway, Morris, Newman, Orr, Wolfe; Voting Nay: Lee; Abstaining: Bartels; Absent: Miller.

Chair Newman noted that Chapter 23 – Buckeye and Chapter 159 British Horology will co-host the convention.

11. Standing Rules Section 3 discussion and approval – Vice Chair Holloway reported on ongoing discussions about the accessioned inventory of the museum and library collections. He is working with the directors of the respective areas to update those sections. He expects to be able to present changes at the next Board meeting.

Director Lee left the meeting at 8:00 p.m. EDT.

12. New First Time Member implementation status – Director Orr reported that all chapters have received an initial mailing of a dozen new member brochures. Regionals are also being provided brochures in their regional prep package from HQ. Merritt’s has agreed to include the brochures in shipments they send. Timesavers has also expressed interest in doing this. Some auction houses are also willing to distribute the brochure with horological items shipped. NAWCC business members will also be contacted about distributing the brochures.

Director Orr reported that there were 99 new members in the first quarter of 2018 who took advantage of the reduced annual fee for the first year.

13. Chair Newman invited comments and questions from the members in attendance. Renee Coulson suggested that new members be surveyed regarding what enticed them to join the NAWCC. Mary Ann Wahlner commented on the lack of interaction with the Bylaws and Procedures Committee regarding the Standing Rules re-write.
14. MOTION: Made by Secretary Baker, seconded by Director Wolfe. That the Board go into Executive Session to discuss financial, legal, and personnel issues. **Motion carried.** Voting Yea: Bartels, Baker, Cote, Gregory, Gary, Holloway, Miller, Morris, Newman, Orr, Wolfe; Voting Nay: None; Absent: Lee.
15. No action was taken in Executive Session.
16. MOTION: Made by Vice Chair Holloway, seconded by Director Bartels. Move that the meeting adjourn. **Motion carried.** Voting Yea: Bartels, Baker, Cote, Gregory, Gary, Holloway, Morris, Newman, Orr, Wolfe; Voting Nay: None; Absent: Lee, Miller.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m. EDT.

Please send all comments and questions on items being considered to NAWCC Board Secretary at [lebaker@chorus.net](mailto:lebaker@chorus.net).

NAWCC Board Secretary  
Leroy Baker