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Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, August 19, 2015 @ 9:00 pm EDT
Using GoToMeeting format

Approved MINUTES: 10-7-2015

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Tom Bartels, Chet Ekstrand, George Goolsby, Jay Holloway, Richard Newman, Tim Orr, Jerry Thornsberry, Gene Volk, Carroll Wolfe, Ruth Overton (on audio but unable to speak due to system issues)

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Phil Gregory, David Lee.

EX-OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS: Steve Humphrey (Executive Director).

Call to Order: Tom Bartels, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 PM EDT. He welcomed everyone to the meeting with roll call for the directors. Three guests were present.

Motion: That the Chapter Charter for NAWCC Chapter 117, El Paso, TX be recalled.

History: The chapter had no individuals who wished to hold office for the chapter and a lack of membership and finances brought their desire to disband the chapter.

Motion made by Jay Holloway and seconded by Carroll Wolfe.

Yea: Bartels, Ekstrand, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.

Nay: None

Absent: Goolsby, Gregory, Lee, Overton

Motion passed.

MOTION: That the Chapter Charter for the Alumni Association NAWCC Chapter #183 be recalled.

History: Since the School of Horology has closed, there really is no interest at this time with past students. The last chapter president does not have a current membership in NAWCC. Submitted by Lu Sadowski, Chair of Chapters Relations Committee.

Motion made by Jay Holloway and seconded by Richard Newman.

Yea: Bartels, Ekstrand, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.

Nay: None

Absent: Goolsby, Gregory, Lee, Overton

Motion passed.

MOTION: That the minutes for the June 2015 Board of Directors meeting be approved as written.

Motion made by Jay Holloway and seconded by Tim Orr.
Yea: Bartels, Ekstrand, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.
Nay: None
Absent: Goolsby, Gregory, Lee, Overton
Motion passed.

MOTION: That we change the Standing Rules: Article III, Board of Directors, Section 2 Meetings, (c) Electronic Meetings be amended to read:

“Electronic meetings may be held in those months when there is no physical meeting of the Board. Procedures for holding Electronic meetings will be approved by the Board.
History: To bring the Standing Rules and Electronic Board Meeting Procedures into compliance with the Bylaw change approved 04/01/15. In the motion the only change is to add the word “may” which will allow meetings to be held when needed.

Motion made by Jay Holloway and seconded by Richard Newman.
Yea: Bartels, Ekstrand, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.
Nay: None
Absent: Goolsby, Gregory, Lee, Overton
Motion passed.

MOTION: Two physical meetings of the Board are required by the Bylaws. One of these meetings is required to be held in conjunction with the annual meeting while the other may be scheduled by the Board. In all other months when there is no physical board meeting, a Board meeting may be held by electronic or other means.

History: NAWCC Electronic Meetings Procedures: First paragraph be changed to read: The only change is adding the word “may” to the electronic meeting.

Motion made by Jay Holloway and seconded by Richard Newman.
Yea: Bartels, Ekstrand, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.
Nay: None
Absent: Goolsby, Gregory, Lee, Overton
Motion passed.

Items for Discussion:

Discuss having a Board member attend regionals as the National Rep.

Chet Ekstrand: He discussed the issue of having no formal motion or plan on financial support for directors who attend Regional Meetings as a National Representative. Chet attended 2 regionals last year which did not provide a forum for the National Rep to speak to the group. The question is why have a National Rep attend meetings that fail to provide an open forum to meet and discuss what is happening to support the membership.

Tim Orr: Tim said he had attended Regional’s that he felt did not meet the requirements of holding a formal setting to speak to the members.

Jay Holloway: He noted that Regional’s need to have educational classes because that is the Charter of the NAWCC.

Gene Volk: Gene noted that the By-Laws do not call for Regional’s to have a formal setting for the National Rep.

Chet Ekstrand: Chet noted that the organization should spend money where it is best used for the growth of the NAWCC organization.

Richard Newman: Richard noted that there is merit for having a National Rep at all Regionals to go around and meet the members and discuss issues.

Steve Humphrey: Steve noted that all Regional's must submit an application and in the application it requires an educational presentation.

Tim Orr: Tim questioned if the National should provide support to Regional's that fail to follow the guidelines.

Gene Volk: Gene noted that the only financial support a Regional receives is the listing in the "Mart" publication.

Carroll Wolfe: Carroll noted that we need to have a National Rep at large Regional's and for small Regional's may not need to have the same support due to cost.

Steve Humphrey: Steve noted that the National will provide reimbursement for expense if requested to any National Rep.

Tom Bartels: (speaking as a director and not as Vice Chair) Tom felt the comments were good and attendance may not be a budget issue. We need to stress the advantage of relationship to the local members and the National. The National does provide advertising in the Mart and Web. If there is no National Rep the meeting is no more than a Chapter meeting and it should be listed as such.

Discuss the financial support for director travel to Regional's.

Jay Holloway: He stressed the importance for a unified message for the National Rep and how they should cover the benefits of the organization in terms of the world's best horological library, a great museum, and personal support for research by the NAWCC staff.

Tim Orr: He asked what the judiciary responsibility of traveling to a regional when there is no budget item to cover the expense.

Chet Ekstrand: We should discuss who goes to what regional and what financial support do we provide at the 2 in person meetings.

Richard Newman: Richard noted that the budget is set before the year begins and if a cost goes over budget it is a line item that may be adjusted. We need to provide a unified message to our members.

Gene Volk: Gene noted we should check the current rules in the By-Laws.

Steve Humphrey: The regional has paid the fees and hotel expense for the National Rep.

Chet Ekstrand: Chet felt we should have a motion to clarify the discussion.

Motion: That at each of the two in-person meetings for the Board of Directors they conduct a review of up coming regional events and determine the appropriate level of Board participation and associated funding requirements.

Motion by Chet Ekstrand No second

Gene Volk: Gene had a question on the language in relation to the By-Laws.

Tim Orr: Asked if the motion should be tabled?

Motion: That the prior motion by Chet Ekstrand be tabled.

Motion made by Gene Volk and seconded by Richard Newman.

Yea: Bartels, Goolsby, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.

Nay: Ekstrand

Absent: Goolsby, Gregory, Lee, Overton

Motion passed that the prior motion be tabled.

Gene Volk: He found the Standing Rules on Chet's motion: Refer to: Standing Rules, Article 15, Section 7.

Discuss what method the Board of Directors should communicate.

Tim Orr: Tim wants to see one form of communication for the Board of Directors to use for information.

Chet Ekstrand: Ruth Overton as Chair used email to make the directors aware of an item on the Board of Directors Message Board and she followed up to make sure everyone responded.

Carroll Wolfe: He agreed that as a new director he wanted the direction.

Gene Volk: He felt everyone received an email when items were posted on the Board of Director's forum.

Steve Humphrey: Steve noted that everyone could receive notice of postings.

Tim Orr: He noted that he received notice of a new posting but not on responses of the postings.

Carroll Wolfe: He wanted clarification.

Richard Newman: Richard said that the message board and email both have merit.

Tom Bartels: (speaking as a director and not Chair) The message board is important and the Directors should check and use it.

Steve Humphrey: Steve put on the computer where to go to change settings that will allow Directors to receive notice of all postings.

The floor was opened to other items.

Tim Orr: He asked for more information about an auto pay program for membership. The areas of concern were initial cost, training cost and yearly fees.

Steve Humphrey: The initial cost is \$2,115 with training cost that range from \$1,000 to \$1,500 with a yearly fee of \$500. The cost could be covered from the IT budget and it may not need to be a motion to acquire money from a change in budget.

Tim Orr: Requested actual cost be presented at the next Board meeting.

Chet Ekstrand: We need to set a date for the next meeting.

Tom Bartels: The motion passed earlier notes that we do not have to meet monthly.

The next Board of Directors meeting was set by the Chair for September 16, 2015 beginning at 9:00 PM EDT.

The floor was opened to visitors.

Robert Gary: He asked for more information on the recall of the charter of the chapters in earlier motions.

Jay Holloway: We have the record of the history but it was not read with the motion so that no one would think the history was part of the motion. The history will be in the minutes.

Robert Gary: He was satisfied with the response.

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion made by Jay Holloway and seconded by Carroll Wolfe.

Yea: Bartels, Ekstrand, Goolsby, Holloway, Newman, Orr, Thornsberry, Volk, Wolfe.

Nay: None

Absent: Gregory, Lee, Overton

Motion passed.

Tom Bartels, Chair, declared the meeting adjourned at 9:57 pm EDT.

NOTE: The official minutes of the August 2015 meeting will be presented by the Secretary to the Board for approval at the next 2015 meeting. Approved minutes will be released to the membership via electronic means and will be published in the next available MART.