



**National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors OPEN Meeting**  
**March 18, 2022 @ 8:00 AM Eastern Time**  
**Columbia, Pennsylvania**  
**IN-PERSON MEETING FINAL MINUTES**

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Leroy Baker	Bob Burton	Tom Compton
John Cote	Renee Coulson	Jay Dutton, Treasurer
Cathy Gorton	Sherry Kitts, Secretary	Rhett Lucke, Vice Chair
Philip Morris	Rich Newman	

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jim Price, Chair – Excused Absence
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**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Rory McEvoy, Executive Director	Myron Mintz, Legal Counsel
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**GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE**

Frank del Greco
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ITEM	SUBJECT	LEAD
1	<b>Call to Order</b>  In the absence of Chair Price, Vice Chair Lucke called the meeting to order at 8:15 am EDT.	Vice Chair Lucke
2	<b>Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Procedures &amp; Announcements</b>  We will follow Robert’s Rules of Order for small Boards.	Vice Chair Lucke
3	<b>Roll Call</b>  All Directors were present except Chair Jim Price, whose absence was excused.	Vice Chair Lucke Secretary Kitts

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4	<b>Museum Discussion/Plans</b>	ED McEvoy Directors Morris & Cote
	<p>There will be a <b>Museum walkthrough</b> tomorrow, March 19, with ED McEvoy, Vice Chair Lucke, Director Morris, Director Cote, Research Library Supervisor &amp; Acting Museum Curator James Campbell, and members Frank Del Greco and Ralph Pokluda. Mr. Pokluda was introduced to the Board. He is here to evaluate the many items in the storage area which have been donated. Mr. Pokluda stated that part of Library Collections is accessioning, and part is deaccessioning. There are some items donated that are not worthy of keeping in the collection, though it is hard to let go.</p> <p><b>The collection needs to be more accessible.</b> Good photos need to be taken. <i>Past Perfect</i> software has been used to document the collection, but there may be errors in the current data base. The data base has not been backed up for over a year. We need to make sure the software does what we want it to do.</p> <p>There are <b>four documents controlling Museum Collections.</b> The Collections Management Plan has been updated. The Strategic Management Plan has been drafted. The other two, Collections Plan and Collection Plan Needs, are minor documents compared to the other two.</p> <p>The <b>S-Town Exhibit</b> work is in a hold status currently because our assets (documents, photos, and objects) use agreement had expired. An updated agreement is with their legal department at this time, and there are not expected to be any problems. It is hoped to get the Exhibit of approximately 40 items completed this year, with the book published for the 2023 National in Lancaster.</p>	
5	<b>Regional Board Rep Discussion – Talking Points, Fellow/Star Fellow Awards, Certificates</b>	Director Newman
	<p>It was emphasized that the Regional Board Representative should ensure that the Regional Chair has a printed copy of all awards and certificates to be conferred and coordinate how the distribution is to be handled. He should also make sure that the documents to be awarded will be available at the event. Fellow and Star Fellow Awards should be presented before any other Certificates.</p> <p>Director Newman distributed “Talking Points for Regional Representative,” which he had prepared.</p>	

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**6 FURTHER DISCUSSION AS NEEDED**

Vice Chair  
Lucke

**Financial Issues**

Treasurer  
Dutton

\*Everything is reconciled each month now, which did not happen until Your Part Time Controller (YPTC) was on board.

\*The fiscal year ends March 31, 2022. Assets are better – we are “holding our own.” The year-to-date operating income is \$226,000, which does not include the last Paycheck Protection Plan (PPP) loan forgiveness of \$150,000.

\*The February report is an example of the abbreviated monthly reports we will have going forward, with detailed reports supplied quarterly.

\*The Oversight and Advancement Committee (OAC) has carefully watched over the finances during the absence of a full-time Executive Director.

\*Director Newman thanked Treasurer Dutton for the useful reporting and under-control financial condition.

\***Pledge Program:** Pledge forms were distributed on March 16. Board members are encouraged to be examples for all members in supporting the organization.

\***Expense Vouchers:** Board members should turn in their expense vouchers for the fiscal year (FY) ending March 31, 2022, before that date. The current form which was previously distributed by Director Baker allows for “donating” the expenses back to the NAWCC, as all current Directors have in essence been doing since they have not been turning in vouchers for reimbursement. Board members are asked to turn them in even if not requesting reimbursement because this donated amount being visible elevates perception of Board support when applying for grants. One expense voucher should capture the hours worked over the FY. If they were not tracked, one should estimate the number of hours per week spent on NAWCC Board business.

**Strategic Development**

Vice Chair  
Lucke

The consensus of Board members is that Strategic Development needs the input of Chair Price. Also, ED McEvoy may need additional time to decide who from Staff should be on the Strategic Development team. Therefore, this issue was tabled until ED McEvoy and Chair Price are both available.

**Committee Structure of the Future**

Director  
Newman

Committees are working Committees that advise the Board. We have eliminated 1/3 of the Committees in the past since the same individuals were chairing multiple Committees and there were conflicts of interest. It was also desirable to have Board members chairing the Committees to provide impetus to Committee actions. We should reexamine them in the Board meeting at the 2022 Dayton National Convention.

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6 FURTHER DISCUSSION AS NEEDED (continued)  
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**What does the future of the National Convention, the Symposium, and the Regional look like?**

Some of the germane comments made were:

- \*Volunteers are getting sparse for Regionals, leading to cancellation of some.
- \*National could take a bigger role in supporting Chapters & Regionals.
- \*National Conventions do bring revenue to NAWCC, Inc.
- \*Nationals could rotate among “Super Regionals” yearly rather than there being several small Regionals and one large National every year.
- \*Let AWCI, WWT, and other partner organizations buy tables at slightly higher price.

Motions were made (Director Newman), seconded (Director Burton), and a Motion to Amend made (Director Compton) to initiate an investigation by the National Convention Committee regarding the future of the Nationals and Regionals, with support of the Chapter Relations Committee. These motions were never definitively articulated before withdrawn in favor of the following motion:

**MOTION by Director Newman:** The Convention Committee, consulting with the Chapter Relations Committee and the Symposium Committee, are charged with reviewing the agendas, activities, schedules, and concepts of the National Conventions, Symposium, and Regionals to enhance the appreciation and experience of collecting and learning about horology. They will provide their initial report of their findings and recommendations to the Board at the 2022 National Convention Board Meeting.

**SECOND by Director Burton.**

**MOTION ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

**We must keep in mind that ED McEvoy wishes to take part in the discussions of the three committees.**

**Documentation of Lectures**

There was some further discussion about recording lectures. Sometimes there can be distractions during lectures. ED McEvoy noted that a quality recording can be made and laid over the Power Point presentation. Director Cote reported that there is a function in Power Point allowing you to add audio commentary. The possibility of recording lectures in a controlled environment independent of the audience presentation was considered. The problem with this is that some speakers are very extemporaneous, and that format does not enhance their presentation. To get these recordings done professionally is prohibitively expensive. There are no plans to record the lectures at the 2022 Dayton National Convention.

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7	<p><b>MOTION by Vice Chair Lucke:</b> That the March 18 regular session of the Board be adjourned.</p> <p><b>SECOND by Director Burton</b></p> <p><b>MOTION APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT</b></p>	Vice Chair Lucke
8	<b>Solicit feedback from the audience.</b>	Vice Chair Lucke
9	<b>With no further business to conduct, the March 18 Regular Session was adjourned by Vice Chair Lucke at 11:00 am EDT.</b>	Vice Chair Lucke

Please send all comments and questions on items being considered to NAWCC Secretary at [sacutts@comcast.net](mailto:sacutts@comcast.net)  
 Sherry Kitts, NAWCC BOD Secretary