

Minutes – March 11, 2012

Minutes of the March 11, 2012 Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs BoD Meeting held at the BPO Elks Lodge in Lawrence , Massachusetts.

Attendees:

Mark Butterline – Philatelic Group of Boston
Bruce Bolduc – Wachusett Philatelic Society
Dave Moiles - Clara Barton Stamp Club
Chris Brouady - Waltham Stamp Club
Jeff Shapiro – Philatelic Group of Boston
Paul Bento – Eire Philatelic Association
Melody Palmer – United Stamp Societies

There was a quorum of the BOD. The meeting was called together by President Jeff Shapiro. The meeting opened at 2:08PM with 6 members present.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of January 8, 2012 were distributed and approved with minor corrections.

Treasurer's Report

The Federation has a positive cash balance and all non-show outstanding bills have been paid.

Local Shows

- a) Kennebec Valley Stamp Club is holding a stamp show. They have asked for support from the Federation. The club expressed interest in joining the Federation. The Federation will provide web site access/space, utilization of Youth activities, and possible other support as needed.

Youth Activities

- a) Bruce was able to secure used stamps at the Spellman Bazaar and he has a new volunteer who has been helping.
- b) Bruce has been digging up stamps that kids enjoy such as Disney themed stamps.
- c) Bruce has been working with the Boys and Girls Club.

Philatelic Show 2012

- a) A dealer pulled out due to an illness. There is a long waiting list so the empty space will be filled without an issue.
- b) The Federation will be increasing its Philatelic show liability insurance.
- c) It is confirmed that we will be having two auctions. The new auctioneer is McCusker. His website is: <http://www.jamesmccusker.com/> James McCusker's auction will be held Saturday evening and Sunday morning of the show. Hugh Doherty auction will be Saturday afternoon as usual.
- d) The minimum amount of exhibit frames have been filled. If you would like to exhibit please contact Guy Dillaway. There is an application located on this website.
- e) If you volunteer at the show you will be eligible for free entrance for the day you volunteer or for the whole weekend depending on how long you help.
- f) The theme will be 50th Anniversary of Friendship 7 Space Mission
- g) 5 Exhibit Judges and an apprentice have been signed up

- h) Show will be held May 4 – 6th
- i) Postal History Society and Auxiliary Cancel Society will have their annual meeting.
- j) Please bring your Club Membership/Application forms to the Philatelic show and it will be made available to everyone at the show.

Futures Committee (Long term planning)

- a) Nothing new to report. Still need to find possible alternate locations for 2015.

Boston 2026 Feasibility Committee

- a) A Feasibility Report has been created and it will be presented to the Board Meeting at the Philatelic Show.

Old Business

- a) None

New Business

- a) Nominating Committee has been created. Mark Butterline, Paul Bento, and Jeff Shapiro are members of this committee.

Next Meeting

Sunday, May 6th 1PM at the Philatelic Show.

Meeting Adjourned – 2:52PM

Respectfully Submitted by Christopher Brouady, Secretary