

Minutes – January 12, 2014

Minutes of the January 12, 2014 Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs BoD Meeting held at the Spellman of Stamps and Postal History in Weston, Massachusetts.

Attendees:

Mark Butterline – Vermont Philatelic Society
Chris Brouady - Waltham Stamp Club
Jack Miller – Spellman Stamp Museum
Norm Shufrin – Waltham Stamp Club
Dave Moiles – Clara Barton Stamp Club
Jeff Shapiro – Philatelic Group of Boston
Paul Bento – Eire Philatelic Association
Tim O’shea – Springfield Stamp Club

We do have a quorum of the BOD. The meeting was called together by President Mark Butterline. The meeting opened at 1:00PM with 8 members.

Secretary’s Report:

Minutes of May 5, 2013 were approved.
Minutes of the Unofficial September 22, 2013 were distributed and the location of the meeting was updated to the Spellman Museum.

Treasurer’s Report

- a) The Federation has a positive cash balance and all non-show outstanding bills have been paid.
- b) The 2013 show had a positive cash balance. The 2013 Income Statement and Balance sheet were presented and the finances of the Federation continue to be solid.

Youth Activities

- a) Nothing new to report

Philatelic Show 2014

- a) Dealer contracts will go out the week of January 12th. We still have a waiting list.
- b) Classics Society will meet at the 2014 show.
- c) The Federation has frame availability. We encourage all area exhibitors to contact Guy Dillaway, Exhibitors Chair, to reserve your spot.
- d) A two-year contract for storage and set-up of the frames was executed by the Show Chair.
- e) We are searching for a new cache designer, show booklet designer as well as a publicist. If you are interested, please contact Jeff Shapiro as soon as possible.
- f) The show theme is the Car/Ford Mustang 50th Anniversary.

Old Business

- a) No Old Business

New Business

- a) A positive vote was taken to give \$500 to the APRL specifically for the publication fund
- b) A positive vote was taken to give \$600 to the Spellman Museum towards a new computer laptop and an additional \$400 as an unrestricted donation.

- c) A positive vote was taken to give \$1,000 to World Stamp Show New York 2016
- d) Jeff Shapiro mentioned that we should change our by-laws such that we can discuss and approve motions via computer medium (i.e. Skype or email). Mark Butterline will work on the changed language to be presented at our SOPEX meeting.
- e) The Federation will be filing for 501(c)(4) status with the IRS. This is necessary due to IRS regulations. There is a one-time fee of \$850 but no future tax liability. Mark Butterline is leading this effort and it is in process.
- f) A new computer/video projector will be researched and a specific model will be recommended at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

March 9, 2014 at 1PM at the SOPEX Stamp Show

Meeting Adjourned – 2:30PM

Respectfully Submitted by Christopher Brouady, Secretary