

**Minutes of the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs Board of Delegates Meeting of the May 1, 2022
held at the Regency Hotel in Boxborough, Massachusetts**

Attendees:

Mark Butterline – Club de 495
Stephen Neuman – Waltham Stamp Club
Jeff Shapiro – Philatelic Group of Boston
Michael Imbruglia – Rhode Island Philatelic Society
David Ball – Philatelic Group of Boston
Norm Shufrin – Spellman Museum
Nancy Clark – USCS DSV Alvin Chapter
Norman Doucette – USCS Old Ironsides Chapter
Dave Kent – USCS Nathan Hale Chapter
Dave DuBois – CCPG
David A. Libby – Boston Philatelic Society
Christopher Brouady – Waltham Stamp Club
Linda Gilmore – Purgatory Stamp Club
Tim O’Shea – Springfield Philatelic Group

There was a quorum of the BOD. The meeting was called to order by President Michael Imbruglia. The meeting opened at 1:00PM with 15 members.

Election of Board of Directors

Nominate Board of Directors (Slate):

Directors – Class of 2024

Joe Mullin – Sellman
Linda Gilmore – Purgatory
Jeff Shapiro - PGB

There was a motion to Nominate the slate, was seconded and approved unanimously

Motion to Elect the Board of Directors – passes unanimously

Motion to close the Board of Delegates Meeting – approved and closed at 1:05PM

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There was a quorum of the BOD. The meeting was called to order by President Michael Imbruglia. The meeting opened at 1:15 PM with 14 members.

Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of January 23, 2022 were reviewed. No changes, motion to accept is approved.

Treasurer

Mark reports we are in the black. There are some concerns with show profitability this year given fewer dealer because of health issues. Mark requests that an audit of the books be done. Discussion with Vermont Philatelic Society. They might possibly be shutting down and they need consul on where their residual funds would go.

Old Business

- a) Frame maintenance will continue. We had a frame party and disposed of about 25 A-Frames. We will need to go through frames again before possibly storing in a different location
- b) Frames could not be broken down into parts except for screws

New Business

- a) Looking into getting a new storage space for all our frames... this could save a considerable amount of yearly expense
- b) Need to review Federation By-Laws on how APS rules are carried down

Philatelic Show 2022

- a) David Ball and Mark Butterline expressed his appreciation for all the show volunteers.
- b) 204 frames, including invited
- c) ASDA and APS eblasts were done
- d) Show Theme was Peaceful Uses of Space
- e) All but 1 Dealer has paid
- f) Show Program was printed by Kelleher and was a success
- g) We don't expect an auction at the show in the future
- h) Banquet went well – Attendance ~42 as well, as the food

- i) ~550 attendees – roughly the same as last year.
- j) We had some families with children show up on Saturday and Sunday

Philatelic Show 2023

- a) We are not confirmed yet to be at the Boxborough Regency.
- b) We need to reduce our footprint by 1/3rd. Drop the Federal Room.
- c) We need better signage as well as improved advertising for the show
- d) Need to think on whether a different venue makes sense
- e) Plan to purchase another 2 new cabinets for dealers
- f) Need another major society
- g) Need to revisit frame fee structure
- h) Need to develop a formal eMarketing campaign

Communication

- a) Federation Secretary to set-up a video/audio conference for each Federation meeting going forward.

Boston 2026

- a) Nancy and Mark said there is continued selling dealer booths.
- b) Will be inviting foreign post offices starting next year with the support of the USPS.
- c) Floor Plan for dealer bourse as well as final table prices to be finalized by CAPEX
- d) Have received more donations and now more than Washington.
- e) Meetings will be held approximately once a quarter going forward.
- f) If you have specific questions about Boston 2026 or would like to volunteer, please reach out to Mark Butterline or Nancy Clark

Next Meeting of Boards of Directors

Sunday, September 25, 2022 at 1PM at CHELMSPEX and on Zoom

Meeting Adjourned – 2:20PM

Respectfully Submitted by Christopher Brouady, Secretary