

# AMERICAN ASSOCIATION PHILATELIC EXHIBITORS

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AMERISTAMP 2007 RIVERSIDE, CA.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> 2007 8.00 A.M.

President Tim Bartshe called the meeting to order at 8.10 a.m. Present were Board members Pat Walker, Liz Hisey, Denise Stotts, David Herendeen, Jerome Kasper, and Ron Leshner. In attendance also were Steve Schuman, Tony Dewey and Ann Harris. A quorum of Board Members was present.

1. **Establishment of a quorum.** 6 needed 7 present.

2. **Reports.**

A. **Treasurer.** Pat Walker presented a Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 2006. Total income, both operating and discretionary fund totaled \$24,667.26. Total expenses \$42,540.93. This left a figure of -\$17,873.67. Most of this minus figure was due to expenses of \$5,000 to Ameristamp 2006, and \$15,000 for Reception at Washington 2006. Because of tax liabilities, 2007 dues paid in December were deposited before end of 2006 year. Society is in good financial state. Pat suggested that we keep track of monies for Outreach, and to watch out for long term commitments. Pat also told us that AAPE purchased prizes for this year's show.

B. **Secretary.** Liz Hisey reported that there had been a successful handover of materials from previous secretary Tim Bartshe. Labels had been sent to Quiz for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter issue of TPE, 757 for US and 144 overseas. Active membership is around 900, with 72 Life Members. She also reported that the renewals for membership would be added to data base in very near future.

C. **Advertising.** David Herendeen reported that invoices had been forwarded to the Treasurer. He also reported that the Foundation had hired a professional manager so he was unsure about future advertising. CIA will continue to advertise. There was also discussion as to whether colored advertising should be offered at additional cost. There was also discussion about the Quiz prices for printing TPE. No decision was made at this time.

D. **Editor.** John Hotchner was not present but had sent word that currently he had plenty of material for TPE but would welcome more.

E. **Youth.** Carol Barr had sent in a report. The 2006 event was held in conjunction with INDYPEX, Indiana July 7-9. The competition included ten exhibits (38 frames). The 2007 Youth Champion of Champions will be held at the National Topical Stamp Show in Irving, TX June 15 -17 2007. Awaiting venues for upcoming shows.

F. **Website.** Andrew McFarlane sent in report. He is waiting for the appointment/volunteering of a content manager, for information on the Diamond Award so that appropriate submittal forms can be created. He had received a couple of Title and Synopsis page updates from Fran Adams. Will also be creating a "Member's Links" page (credit to Fran Adams for that).

H. **Publicity.** Waiting for more information re Diamond Award, Team Competition.

I. **Critique Service.** There are now 15-20 judges available. Mark has revised form.

J. **Meetings Director.** Denise reported that there were 31 shows/meeting. 10 new members as a result. Denise also spoke about problem with Canadian shows and lack of contacts in Canada and help in making arrangements for seminars. She would be willing to send out packets.

### 3. **Old Business.**

A. **Diamond Award.** Funding for DA is in bank. Pins are being designed in a diamond shape with diamond in center. Criteria – one exhibit by one person, 10 golds, or six exhibits by one person at gold level. Length of time for qualification for award will be on a 10 year roll (**or did we decide 15**). AAPE to conduct search for those who qualify, also check with APS. Awards to be given to those who apply or to whom AAPE feels deserving. Ron Leshner and Jerry Kasper to work on getting list of past gold medal winners.

B. **Team Competition.** Plan on continuing next year. Team awards to be given out at AAPE General Meeting. It was agreed that Ameristamp is a good venue.

C. **Picture Post Card Exhibiting.** Tim reported that barring any major tweak it will be voted on by APS Board in Portland to become a separate full class. There was discussion on the difficulty and challenge of judging post card exhibits.

D. **Philatelic Firemen mailing.** They will provide #10 stamped envelopes. Secretary to put on labels.

### 4. **New Business.**

A. **Past Presidents Advisory Council.** Thanks were given to the 5 Past Presidents for their willingness to serve on the Council. They will be working on issues that the President brings up.

B. **By-Laws and Constitution update.** Steve Zwillinger has volunteered to update these. We will attempt to get the alpha version sometime prior to Stampshow, make any additions and/or changes for Board approval either at Portland or via the net and then get adequate publication time for the membership to vote on it at ASE next year in NC. Pat thought she could get it into the dues notice for year end. We also need to make sure that electronic meetings and voting are in the by-laws.

- C. **Life Memberships.** Currently LM is 20 times dues. New proposal is 20 x till 60, 15 x till 69 and 10 x 70 and over. Jerry Kasper made the motion to approve the above schedule, Ron Leshner seconded. Motion passed. A new form will be created for Life Members (Liz and Pat). Information will be put in TPE. Also it was suggested that Life Members be acknowledged in TPE.
- D. **Committee's Mission Statement and Job Descriptions.** Tim has received some but there are others missing. The reasoning behind the request is for some continuity in the administration of the AAPE.
- E. **Website Enhancement.** Jerry Kasper has agreed to be Ad Hoc committee chair for next few months. He presented a list of suggestions for website.
- F. **Publicity Plan.** To make sure that Ed Fisher is given the information necessary for him to prepare publicity releases.
- G. **Outreach Program.** John Hotchner has mailed out the "Green Sheet" to all local clubs. So far two responses have been received, including one from the Virtual Stamp Club, which leads to other sources.

There has been some disconnect from AAPE and other local shows. Tim proposes that the membership of AAPE be divided into regions. Then a Regions Coordinator will be appointed with the responsibility to make sure that all shows have AAPE publicity material, to hopefully have an AAPE face and to offer seminars/open forums.

Information on more local shows to be garnered from Linn's, APS Show Time, and Chapter Activities.

## 5. **Non Agenda Items.**

Denise Stotts filled in slots for upcoming meetings.

## 6. **For the Good of the Society.**

**Postcards.** Anne Harris. Discussion on exhibiting and judging of postcards. Suggestions included an article in TPE educating the jury on post cards. Create a pamphlet of criteria and information to be given to deltiologists, including judging, also how to exhibit a postcard exhibit at a philatelic show. Get this information to postcard clubs.

**Single page exhibits.** Jerry Kasper spoke about single page exhibits. These are well known in Canada. Single page \$10.00, 16 to a frame. Judged by popular vote. Suggested that an article be put in TPE. Fran Adams maybe could write.

**TPE award.** John Hotchner has suggested that an award be given to the best article and/or best new author each volume. John to be notified about doing it for Volume 20 (2006) and publish it in next issue. Cycles can be each volume with enough time to evaluate the

winners. Cash award \$250? This is to encourage new authors. Pat Walker made the motion re award, Jerry Kasper seconded. Motion passed. Awards to be given out at AAPE AGM.

**Title Pages and Synopsis.** Guy Dillaway is chairing this committee. To take examples of Title Pages and Synopsis, have a set of judges view and critique and then have the results printed in TPE. Exhibitor would have to give permission when entering T&S's.

**Best of TPE 2.** AS TPE enters its third decade, it was suggested that a second volume of the Best of TPE be produced. The funding is there. John Hotchner, and maybe a committee, to make the recommendations. Liz Hisey made a motion, Jerry Kasper seconded, motion passed.

**Back Issues of TPE.** Discussion was held, and was decided to keep some issues and to send rest to Bill McMurry.

**Acknowledging contributions.** Pat Walker mentioned that there had been a lack of acknowledgement of contributions, suggested that letters be sent to those members who contribute more than \$5.00. Pat and Liz will work together.

Pat Walked moved to adjourn meeting at 10.35 a.m.

Respectively submitted  
Elizabeth Hisey  
AAPE Secretary