Boston 2026 Feasibility Committee – Report for 2011 NEFSC meeting

Committee members as appointed in 2010: Mark Butterline, Nancy Clark, Yamil Kouri

Four organizational meetings to discuss the possible staging of the 2026 world philatelic exhibition in Boston have been held:

July 2010 - Woods Hole, MA August 2010 - Richmond, VA (at StampShow 2010) October 2010 - Lexington, MA November 2010 - Boston MA (at Boston Convention Center)

Discussions on the feasibility of staging the 2026 world philatelic exhibition in Boston were followed by actions assigned to each member, and a site visit to the Boston Convention Center (BCC).

A copy of the initial proposal for Washington 2006 was examined. It was shared with personnel at the BCC, as was a catalog from Washington 2006 (to indicate the scope and range of functions to be enabled).

Key people in Hartford, St. Louis, New York, Philadelphia, Georgia and California were approached for their input and possible cooperation in the venture. Support Team recruitment has begun.

The American Philatelic Society (APS) and New York 2016 leadership were approached about opportunities for "shadowing." Discussions over the timing of APS' request for proposals (RFP) have taken place.

Key philatelic leaders were approached to take principal rolls in a 2026 venture should the project become actively pursued. Possible candidates for Corporate Offices have been identified: Chair of Executive Board, Nancy B. Clark; Business Manager, Mark A. Butterline; Administrative Manager, Yamil H. Kouri; Finance Director, Steven C. Walske; General Counsel, George S. Norton.

Committee is on track to present the feasibility study at the next NEFSC BoD Annual Meeting on May 6, 2012 during Philatelic Show 2012.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee, Nancy B. Clark