Minutes – September 11, 2011

Minutes of the September 11, 2011 Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs BoD Meeting held at the Cardinal Spellman Museum of Stamps and Postal History in Weston, 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 Linda Gilmore - Chelmsford Stamp Club Jack Miller – Waltham Stamp Club

There was a quorum of the BOD. The meeting was called together by President Jeff Shapiro. The meeting opened at 1:05PM with 7 members present.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of May 1, 2011 were approved and distributed.

Treasurer's Report – As a result of the dissolution of the New England Chapter of the ASDA, the Federation received a \$610 donation.

All non-show outstanding bills have been paid. The Federation has sufficient cash and assets to operate normally.

Youth Activities

- a) Bruce stressed that he relies on various donations and that expenses have been rising but donations have remained relatively static.
- b) Bruce will have Youth activities at the WALPEX stamp show.

Philatelic Show 2011

- a) A full contract review by Chris Brouady will be done for 2013 2014 hotel contracts to see what, if any, terms have been changed. A contract summary will be provided at the next meeting.
- b) The 2011 show financial report was presented by Bruce Bolduc. No exceptions were taken. The show was profitable but we are looking at ways of reducing expenses at future shows.

Old Business

Boston 2026 Feasibility Committee

a) Nothing new at this time. Mark Butterline continues to be the committee chairman.

New Business

- a) A motion was made to donate \$1,000 to youth activities. The motion passed with all in favor.
- b) A motion was made to donate \$750 to the Spellman Museum. The motion passed with all in favor. This is a donation for the 2011-2012 Federation fiscal year.
- c) A motion was made to re-create the futures/budget committee for 2011-2012 fiscal year. The motion passed. Mark Butterline was appointed the committee chairman. Members include Jack Miller, Bruce Bolduc, and Jeff Shapiro.

Philatelic Show 2012

- a) Strategies for bringing in more people to the show was discussed.
- b) Show will be held May $4 6^{th}$.
- c) Postal History Society and Auxiliary Markings Society will be annual meeting.
- d) Possible Themes were discussed. Anniversary of Fenway Park opening, Girl Scouts, and others. Trademark Issues will be explored to make sure we are not infringing on the final theme.
- e) Expect to have 70+ dealers. Contracts go out in November-December timeframe.

Next Meeting

Sunday, December 11th, 1PM at the Spellman Museum of Stamps and Postal History.

Meeting Adjourned – 3:04PM

Respectfully Submitted by Christopher Brouady, Secretary