## Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes of the May 8, 2016.

Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs Board of Delegates Meeting held at the Boxboro Holiday Inn during Philatelic Show 2016 in Boxboro, Massachusetts.

#### Attendees:

Mark Butterline – Philatelic Group of Boston
Bruce Bolduc - Wachusett Philatelic Society
Dave Moiles – Clara Barton Stamp Club
Jeff Shapiro – Philatelic Group of Boston
Tim O'Shea – Springfield Stamp Club
Linda Gilmore – Purgatory Stamp Club
Jack Miller – Waltham Stamp Club
Michael Imbruglia – Rhode Island Philatelic Society
Nancy Clark – Massachusetts Postal Research Society
Michael Mead – Cape Cod Area Philatelic Group
Norm Shufrin – Spellman Museum of Stamps and Postal History
John Bereuter – Manchester Philatelic Society
Joseph Signor – Chelmsford Stamp Club
Guy Dillaway – Waltham Stamp Club

There was a quorum. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Butterline. The meeting opened at 1:05PM with representatives from 12 member clubs present.

The following slate was elected unanimously:

Dave Kent – Universal Ship Cancellation Society

Director - Tim O'Shea

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Director - Joe Signor

Meeting Adjourned – 1:10PM

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We have a quorum of the BOD. The meeting was called together by President Mark Butterline. The meeting opened at 1:10PM with 15 members.

#### Symposium Report:

- a) Nancy reported that The Spellman Museum of Stamps & Postal History hosted their fourth Spellman Spring Seminar. This year's focus was Surface Transportation of the Mail in the United States in the 20th Century. Experts included: Guy Purington on Rural Free Delivery; Frank Scheer on Schedules and Routes of the Railway Mail Service and their Impact on Mail Delivery; Prof. Douglas Clark on Streetcar R.P.O. Postmark Anomalies; and Will Keller and Nancy Clark on Hubs of Communication for a Short Lived Service-the H.P.O. The symposium was well received and attended (~100) on Thursday at Regis College.
- b) Another symposium will be planned for next year.

# Secretary's Report:

a) Minutes of January 10, 2016 were reviewed and approved.

# Treasurer's Report

- a) The Federation has a positive cash balance and all non-show outstanding bills have been paid.
- b) All associated costs related to Philatelic Show 2016 will be paid upon receipt of invoices.

## Youth/Beginner Activities

- a) Fifteen youth visitors so far at the show.
- b) Scout involvement is now an issue.

#### Philatelic Show 2016

- a) Mike reported that we were not significantly impacted by the pending NY 2016 show and that the vast majority of dealers were happy and planned to return.
- b) Good turnout, especially considering the closeness of the international show in NYC.
- c) Had 180 frames.
- d) Too many errors in program. Needs more proofreading before printing.
- e) Need road side signs. Floor signs not delivered until Saturday.
- f) Banquet tickets dispensed out of sequence. Thus we didn't know we were short until the actual event. Also too many freebies given out. Need much tighter control of this.

# Philatelic Show 2017 and in the Future

- a) 2017 show to be at Holiday Inn.
- b) Still need to find new site. Burlington Marriott too small.

## Boston 2026 Update

- a) Board meeting at New York 2016 on June 2nd and Kickoff meeting on the 4th.
- b) Many 2026 people involved in NY show.
- c) Initial press release issued in April. See B26 website.
- d) New logo issued in April. See B26 website.

### Old Business

a) None.

### **New Business**

a) The team should inspect the frames at the upcoming NY 2016 show with an eye toward supplementing or replacing our frame stock.

## **Next Meeting**

September 18, 2016 at 1PM at the Spellman Museum.

Meeting Adjourned – 2:30PM

Respectfully Submitted by Mark Butterline