

Compilation of PNNA Meeting Minutes for 2002

Minutes of PNNA board meeting 19 January 2002, Kent, Washington

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Loos at 5:18 PM. Present were vice president Larry Gaye, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Richard Billings, Del Cushing, Eric Holcomb, Bill McKivor, Larry Rowe, and Bruce Wonder, and members Mary Cushing, Mark Emtman, and Lisa Loos.

Moved and seconded (Rowe/McKivor) to approve the minutes of the meeting of 21 September as published. Passed.

Secretary/treasurer's report: treasurer Boling distributed the December financial report. The annual report has not been prepared yet.

Website report (webmaster Eric Holcomb): We are paid through April for our web hosting, but we can now go back to the ANA if we want to (they can now provide much improved capability and flexibility). Eric will check on the portability of the PNNA's domain name and other potential issues in such a move. Moved and seconded (Gaye/McKivor) to move back to ANA's host if Eric Holcomb finds the conditions to be suitable. Passed. New web superdomains are now available (i.e., .biz and .info). Eric has reserved www.pnna.info and the forwarding capability to make it point to www.pnna.org. Moved/seconded (Billings/Boling) to acquire www.pnna.info and the link to www.pnna.org for two years. Passed. A discussion followed of several kinds of information that members want to place on the web site.

Nomination/election committee report (Larry Rowe) — searching for candidates.

Show report (general chairman Dick Billings): Six tables remain available. Bids are coming in on decoration and electrical work. Cliff Mishler has written that he will come to our convention, with Chet if Chet's calendar can be cleared. Bill McKivor will schedule the presentation that he (they) will give. We are also working to convince ANA President John Wilson to attend, especially now that the Phoenix show has moved off of our weekend. We need to start promoting the show and specifically the talk by Cliff and Chet. Some have suggested that we have an auction at our shows. We will query the dealers to see if they want to support it, then look for an auctioneer willing to come. McKivor – any club that wants to meet as part of the educational program should contact him to get scheduled. Rowe suggested that even though the Willamette Coin Club is sponsoring the ANA in Portland in 2004, the PNNA should have some presence there. Think about what that should be by next board meeting. Larry Gaye also asked that members be ready to answer calls for service on the convention committees. Eric Holcomb inquired about having some of the PNNA exhibit cases drilled for sealing as the ANA does (to be done on exhibitor request, not as a requirement). Moved and seconded (Holcomb/Gaye) to give the exhibit chair authority to seal cases on request. Passed.

Larry Gaye announced Willamette Coin Club's donation of \$500 to the New York firefighters' widows and orphans fund and \$500 to the NW Medical Teams organization that assisted in responding to the NYC disaster.

Joseph Boling called the board's attention to the new ANA policies on the numismatic diplomate program (whereby members of ANA clubs can participate at reduced rates). He also mentioned that there had been a Coin World article on our YN program.

One PNNA member wants to know whether he should renew his membership in the PNNA, in light of the shoplifting problem that he had at a recent show. After discussion, a proposal was adopted to allow him to pay dues but ask that he stay away from shows until he can show progress in treatment. President Loos will make a reply along that line.

Bruce Wonder asked if there is a way to coordinate regional show dates; Del Cushing said all the show people know that he runs the show calendar, and if there are conflicts it's because they did not do their homework.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM. Minutes prepared by Secretary Joseph E. Boling.

Minutes of PNNA board meeting 4 May 2002, Tukwila, Washington

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Loos at 8:13 AM. Present were vice president Larry Gaye, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Richard Billings, Del Cushing, Eric Holcomb, Bill McKivor, Larry Rowe, and Bruce Wonder, past president Tom Sheehan, and members John and Nancy Wilson, Kathy Rowe, Lisa Loos, Al Schy, Mark Gruner, Ian Gruner, Bert Simmons, and Walt Ostromecki.

Moved and seconded (Rowe/Billings) to approve the minutes of the meeting of 19 January as published. Passed.

Boling presented the April 2002 and annual 2001 treasurer's reports. Moved/seconded (Billings/Sheehan) to accept the treasurer's reports subject to audit. Passed.

Boling reported that the YN program appropriation has \$331 remaining (of \$1000 from the September 2001 board meeting).

Show report - this year we increased early bird fees 65%. We rented 92 of 90 available tables (yes, you read that right) (compared to 72 tables last year). The break table at the overhead door is not being used; it will be replaced by the UCC exhibit [which did not happen, as the table started being used on Saturday]. A couple of dealers have complained about the lack of free lunches. The mobile lunch truck has been well received, though prices seem to be variable.

Larry Rowe presented the **election report**. The slate was elected; nobody got 100% of the vote. The top vote-getter was Scott Loos as president. Top vote recipients for director were Larry Rowe and Del Cushing. We now have Kathy Rowe, Lisa Loos, Bill Roark, and Bill Henderson as new board members. Scott Loos reported that he will appoint Dale Reubish as dealer-director for the 2002-2004 term.

2003 convention site/dates. Central States has moved to the first weekend of May; our logical choice for 2003 is 25-27 April. The Tukwila convention center wants 2004 dates to be selected at this time also. Tom Sheehan suggested that we need to get clubs invited to sponsor the show in future years. Scott Loos observed that getting a stable location/date is desirable. Sheehan suggested that if we are going to depart from the traditional objective of moving the show around the region, that we should address it as a formal change of the PNNA's policy. Dick Billings proposed a motion to modify the policy. It died for lack of a second. Moved and seconded (Wonder/Cushing) to hold the 2003 convention in Tukwila 25-27 April. Passed. Moved and seconded (Cushing/McKivor) to place the 2004 convention in Tukwila also, in the last weekend of April. Passed.

Kathy Rowe thanked Nancy Wilson for providing cookies for the meeting.

Eric Holcomb gave a **webmaster's report**: we appreciate the ANA providing web space for member clubs. We still have to renew our domain name registration periodically, but no longer have to pay hosting fees. He would like to print PNNA cards showing the web site URL. Moved and seconded (Holcomb/Rowe) to acquire business cards showing our web site address and future show dates. Passed. Moved/seconded (Billings/Holcomb) to renew the domain registration for three years. Passed. Boling observed that this issue should become a matter of routine expense no longer needing board attention. President Loos agreed.

John Wilson asked for a moment to present an ANA President's Award, which went to Scott and Lisa Loos.

President Loos reminded all that the general membership meeting will be this evening after the bourse closes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 AM. Minutes recorded by secretary/treasurer Joseph E. Boling.

Minutes of PNNA general membership meeting
4 May 2002, Tukwila, Washington

The meeting was called to order at 6:24 PM with sixteen members in attendance.

The result of the election was announced; the officers for the 2002-2004 term are: president, Scott Loos; vice president, Larry Gaye; secretary/treasurer, Joseph Boling; directors, Richard Billings, Del Cushing, William Henderson, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, William McKivor, William Roark, Kathy Rowe, Lawrence Rowe, and Bruce Wonder. The dealer-director (appointed) is Dale Reubish.

President Loos congratulated the show committee for their work at this year's convention. The attendance for the first two days was about 750. He welcomed out-of-town members Dr. Walt Ostromecki and John Wilson.

An appreciation plaque was presented to Dick Billings for his work over the past two years as show chairman.

The Nina Nystrom Memorial Goodwill Ambassador Award for 2002 was presented to Richard Billings.

The exhibit awards were announced. J Eric Holcomb won the tokens and medals class and the Clarence "Hepp" Heppner award. Ken Hill won the US/Canadian coins class and the Byron Johnson best of show award.

John Wilson said a few words of thanks for being invited to the show and said that he is looking forward to the ANA spring convention in 2004 in Portland. He recognized the many ANA national volunteers who were in the room (regional reps, national coordinators, chief judge, convention volunteers). He reported that the ANA is doing OK; the building renovation fund is slowly accreting, and membership is growing slowly; he invited any ANA member with an issue involving the ANA to contact him for assistance. Dick Billings pointed out that more people had joined the ANA at this convention than at either the Central States or the Georgia Numismatic Society conventions this year. Dr. Walt Ostromecki was recognized for his work with YNs at this convention and at Long Beach.

Larry Rowe announced that, subject to the ANA board's approval, the 2004 Portland ANA convention chair will be Larry Gaye, with himself as assistant.

Larry Rowe requested that the major exhibit awards for PNNA be changed. The large perpetual trophies will be retired; the annual plates on them will be mounted on permanent plaques, which will be expanded year by year, and the plaques will be in the custody of the historian (similar to the Everett award plaque). They will be shown at the annual conventions. Moved/seconded (Rowe/Boling) to adopt this scheme. Passed.

The Bob Everett memorial award for 2002 was presented to Del Cushing (certificate and \$250 check).

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM. Minutes recorded by secretary/treasurer Joseph E. Boling.

Minutes of PNNA board meeting 7 September 2002, Portland, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Loos at 5:10 PM. Present were Vice President Larry Gaye, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Richard Billings, William Henderson, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, William Roark, Kathy Rowe, and Larry Rowe, and member Bert Simmons.

Moved and seconded (L Rowe/Billings) to approve the minutes of the board meeting of 4 May as published. Passed. Moved and seconded (L Rowe/Billings) to approve the minutes of the general membership meeting of 4 May as published. Passed. Treasurer Boling presented the monthly financial reports for August 2002. Moved/seconded (Billings/L Rowe) to accept the treasurer's report subject to audit. Passed.

YN committee report. Fifty YN's participated in various YN activities at the PNNA convention in Tukwila. Twenty-one classrooms participated in the quarter design contest. We are now set up at Puyallup with several kinds of handouts for YN's who visit there. Scott Loos requested that the YN promotion fund be replenished for the new school year. A discussion of the appropriate amount hinged on the fact that only \$700 was spent in the first year (of \$1000 appropriated). Since we started the program late in the 2001/2 school year, we might want to appropriate the same amount as last year to add to the residue of \$300 from last year. Moved/seconded (L Loos/Roark) to appropriate another \$1000. Passed.

Show committee reports. We made \$6,936.60 on the 2002 convention. So far this year we have sold 87 tables (of 99 available) for 2003. Billings reports that Tukwila is anxious for us to return for future conventions. S Loos reports that a few hundred dollars will be needed for lamps for the 2003 convention (and that some were not returned intact after the 2002 convention). Moved/seconded (Billings/Gaye) to appropriate \$750 for new lamps, lamp stands, and additional table covers. Gaye suggested using plastic sheeting, which is recyclable for future conventions, rather than fabric for table covers. Gaye also suggests that C-clamps can work as well for light stands, for a lot less money. Passed.

Kathy Rowe suggested that the security officers at the convention should not be out in the hallway conversing, but on the floor with their eyes open. Also, two or three board members do a lot of the work (especially at set-up and tear-down time); more board members should be involved in helping at these phases of the convention. A certain dealer complained that he was being stolen from, but he tends to not watch his table, preferring to be out cruising the floor. Billings said that nobody had asked to be compensated for losses. S Loos and others observed that the bourse application has verbiage absolving the PNNA of responsibility for watching or securing merchandise. L Rowe said that if there are larcenous people on the floor, unwatched tables are a golden opportunity. Billings said that if a security guard is observed shirking, tell him and he will speak to the officers. Roark mentioned that board members could be used to babysit tables for a few minutes. Simmons said that there was a problem in Spokane with guards shopping; the show staff read them the riot act and straightened that out.

S Loos observed that the current policy of calling for a local club to host the convention is not working; clubs have conflicts of interest with their own shows, or don't want the hassle. He suggests that we retain control of the convention at the PNNA level with our own management, gradually making it a major national show. In lieu of a host club, he proposes hiring a local club to run registration, assist in setup/teardown, etc., to the tune of several hundred dollars. We would have to make an open call for applications in order to give all interested organizations an opportunity to apply. Boling observed that there is no host club requirement in the bylaws; no amendment is required to stop using host clubs. He suggested that action at the board level is not needed to hire assistance for the show; the show committee should make these decisions. L Rowe suggested that service clubs/Scouts might also be offered this opportunity. Billings proposed that PNNA member clubs should have priority, but lacking applicants, we could then go to service organizations. No motion was presented.

Simmons inquired about attendance; over 1000 in 2002. Attributed to what? Better advertising, printed publicity, and selection of places to advertise (which cost us \$3,100 in 2002).

Education: S Loos — what do we want to do in next year or two? He proposed that we spend some of our assets of over \$25,000 in unencumbered funds to promote numismatics. A seminar? Counterfeit seminars have been popular. We could do educational forums (with multiple speakers), or one each in spring and fall on contrasting topics. These would not be associated with the convention. These would be multi-day educational events, but we could also have single-day multi-speaker events. President Loos appointed Larry Gaye and Lisa Loos as a committee to report in January at the Boeing show board meeting on the possibilities of holding a seminar (topic to be determined) in the fall of 2003. Moved and seconded (K Rowe/L Loos) to conduct such a seminar, and to appropriate \$500 for initial expenses. Passed. Volunteers?

Additional ideas: Dave Schmidt has proposed that PNNA sponsor a club president's breakfast at the spring convention, to get club officers talking to each other and exchanging ideas. We could also have scholarships to the ANA summer seminar, for adults or YN's (or partial scholarships).

Roark suggested that loading and unloading at the spring convention are major problems. We need the large doors open (Loos said that those doors can only be open during selected hours). We will try to block off certain sections for access.

Holcomb suggested that there are judged competitions at the Puyallup fair, as well as peoples' choice ribbons. Can we get competitive exhibits at Puyallup? Boling says that if we can't get more than three exhibitors at the PNNA convention, how can we get more to Puyallup? Gaye says that showing them at Puyallup would let those three (and maybe more in the future) have a wider audience. President Loos appointed Eric Holcomb to check on the feasibility of competitive exhibits at the Fair.

Billings — we should also have signs at Puyallup about the quarter design contest. S Loos — what about a pamphlet of Puget Sound numismatic organizations that can be distributed at Puyallup or other locations? Billings — are we looking for something more eye-catching than the double page sheet that we now distribute? Yes, or to use at other places than Puyallup. Looking for ways for the PNNA to serve clubs.

Moved/seconded (Holcomb/L Loos) to appropriate \$500 to conduct a president's breakfast at the spring convention, with one member of each member club paid for by the PNNA, and other members paying their own expenses. Passed.

ANA summer seminar scholarship: moved/seconded (Gaye/Roark) to appropriate \$1,000 for a PNNA member to go to the ANA summer seminar, starting in 2003. Passed. We need a committee and criteria: President Loos appointed himself, Kathy Rowe, Lisa Loos, and Larry Gaye to establish criteria, prepare an application form, and make the selection. They were directed to present a report at the next board meeting.

Billings will come up with a sign publicizing the quarter design contest for this year's Puyallup Fair. Holcomb will come up with a way to create a pamphlet for publicity.

S Loos — Gaye proposed promoting joint meetings of clubs, with a special speaker, promoting interactions of clubs, etc. This ties in with the presidents' breakfast. Potential joint meetings could be picnics or potlucks. We will put this to the presidents' breakfast participants for implementation suggestions.

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.