

## Compilation of PNNA Meeting Minutes for 2005

### **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 22 January 2005, Kent, Washington**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 5:24pm. Present were vice president Richard Billings, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Del Cushing, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, William McKivor, William Roark, and Bruce Wonder, appointed dealer-director Rob Anglemier, and members Bob Busby, Mike Pepka, George Booth, and observer Howard Spindell (from the Willamette CC). The Rows were not here because of medical problems w/Larry's mother.

Moved and seconded (S Loos/L Loos) to approve the minutes of the previous board meeting (20 June 2004 in Portland). Passed. The treasurer's annual report for 2004 was handed out. Moved/seconded (Billings/Roark) to accept the report subject to audit. Passed.

Mark Bettinger continues to not respond to his expulsion following the previous board meeting.

ANA Board Nominations:

- Moved/seconded (Cushing/Wonder) to nominate Bill Horton for ANA president. Passed.
- Moved/seconded (Billings/McKivor) to nominate Dr. Walter Ostromecki for ANA governor. Passed.
- Moved/seconded (Wonder/Cushing) to nominate Remy Bourne for ANA governor. Passed.
- Moved/seconded (S Loos/L Loos) to nominate Arthur and Prue Fitts as governors of ANA. Passed.

Joe Boling announced his gradual withdrawal from organizational responsibilities in the Puget Sound area as he prepares to move east (summer 2006) to join his once and future bride.

Moved/seconded (L Loos/Billings) to name Eric Holcomb as Puyallup Fair coordinator starting in 2005. Passed.

Del Cushing will search for a storage locker for the PNNA property presently stored in Boling's garage.

**Convention report** - sold out 1 Sept 2004, working with waiting list. Ostromecki will be here to assist with the YN programs. Prue Fitts and Art Fitts will both speak in the numismatic theater, as well as several local speakers (Bill McKivor is coordinating the theater). Dick Doty will return in 2006 as a speaker. He is also assisting to arrange for a Smithsonian exhibit of Pacific NW BEP national currency proof sheets in 2006. He needs some guidance on the scope of exhibit (Wash. state only?).

A joint PNNA/Willamette Coin Club (WCC) show is scheduled for 28-30 October 2005 in Portland. The object is to raise the PNNA profile in the Portland area, and to provide some assistance to the WCC for putting on a large show (though the WCC plans to proceed even if the PNNA is not an assisting sponsor). The site will be the Lloyds Center Doubletree (the same place that the PNNA annual conventions were for five years). Scott Loos is bourse chair and has sold about 70% of the space. There will be exhibits and they will try to conduct a numismatic theater. They want to keep Portland residents attuned to expecting major shows in their area (such as ANA shows were). Moved/seconded (L Loos/McKivor) that PNNA join WCC in sponsoring a coin show in Portland 28-30 October, with WCC running the bourse and handling the finances of the show and the PNNA operating the exhibit and education programs. The PNNA will incur no financial liability for this event. Passed unanimously.

Portland wants ANA to come back for a spring show in 2009 or 2010. Larry Gaye proposes that PNNA and WCC co-sponsor that show. Gaye wants approval to offer sponsorship to ANA. Moved/seconded (S Loos/McKivor) to write to ANA offering sponsorship. Passed.

Moved/seconded (Billings/S Loos) to continue the state quarter design program for 5th and 6th graders in 2005, centered around the PNNA convention. Passed.

Boling handed around the Central States offer of teaching materials for classrooms. There was little interest, but some of the materials may go to quarter design program classrooms.

Eric Holcomb proposed an extra print run of *The Nor'Wester* for the convention, using the same format as last year (individually bound issues). Moved/seconded (Billings/Wonder) to do this again. Passed.

North Shore Numismatic Society is gathering donations for a Ray Mah memorial. Do we want to contribute? Del Cushing will see what they are planning to do and report back.

There was a discussion of pending laws and government regulation to halt traffic in artifacts, including coins. Archeological associations want to prevent private ownership of anything over one hundred years old – a moving window. Gaye wants the PNNA to associate itself with the Ancient Coin Collecting Group as an affiliate member. ACCG is providing educational materials to legislators showing that coins are not like other archeological property, and that applying the same regulations to coins would be both punitive and counter productive. Moved/seconded (S Loos/Wonder) to appropriate \$150 to become an affiliate member of ACCG. Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1845 (6:45 PM).

Minutes taken and transcribed by Joseph Boling, secretary.

### **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 30 April 2005, Tukwila, Washington**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 8:06 AM. Present were vice president Richard Billings, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Del Cushing, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, Norm Mikat, William McKivor, William Roark, Kathy Rowe, Larry Rowe, and Bruce Wonder, appointed dealer-director Rob Anglemier, and members George Booth, Mark Emtman, Rick Hobson, Walt Ostromecki, and Bert Simmons, and visitors Prue and Arthur Fitts.

Moved and seconded (Wonder/L Loos) to approve the minutes of the previous board meeting (22 January 2005 in Kent). Passed.

President Gaye welcomed visitors Prue and Arthur Fitts, who are here to give numismatic theater presentations and serve as judges.

The North Shore Numismatic Society (NSNS) is producing a medal to commemorate Ray Mah, to be distributed to NSNS members. Presumably some excess medals will be available.

Norm Mikat inquired about whether we have a standing policy for memorial donations. No, they are handled on a case by case basis. Moved/seconded (Mikat/Rowe) that PNNA make a memorial donation of \$100 to the NSNS for their use. Passed.

Larry Gaye gave an update on our recent purchase of associate membership in the Ancient Coin Collecting Guild (with the object of supporting unrestricted international movement of numismatic materials). The ACCG has acknowledged us and the Willamette CC on their web site. Some state legislatures have taken up legislation to support the rights of collectors to collect ancient materials (over 100 years old) that have been the target of restrictive legislation concerning international movements.

Larry Gaye thanked Walt Ostromecki for his work with YNs at this convention. Dr. Ostromecki thanked the PNNA for supporting his nomination for the ANA board.

Bill Roark reported having met the PNNA's adult 2005 ANA Summer Seminar scholarship winner yesterday, and that she is very enthusiastic about the program.

The Willamette Coin Club's bid for an ANA spring show was for joint PNNA/WCC sponsorship and was accepted. ANA will return to Portland in spring 2009. The committees will be formed shortly; there is a job for everyone.

Marc Bettinger was convicted of theft in Los Angeles (related to his actions at Long Beach last year). He has still not acknowledged his expulsion from PNNA. A discussion of PNNA's obligation to notify members followed. Should the mentions in the minutes be all that we do? Having board members take the information back to club and commercial show committees was deemed to be adequate.

The PNNA/WCC fall show report is that we have sold out three times (we keep adding real estate to the bourse layout). We have sold about 70 tables. A fall show will be a new event, and how it is received is not yet known. We

are going back to the Doubletree because we would need to sell about 100 tables to break even if we went to the convention center.

We have been selling out the PNNA convention in Tukwila, but we have no place to grow to - the convention center (downtown Seattle over the freeway) is too expensive. Eric Holcomb mentioned a new facility in Lynnwood - we need to check it.

The PNNA is developing a thrust of performing the educational component of shows primarily put on by local organizations. PNNA will be doing this at the fall show in Portland and has been requested to support the Salem club at their 50th anniversary show (fall 2006).

George Booth expressed thanks to Scott and Lisa Loos for their work on this show.

**New business** - Eric Holcomb proposed that officers be reimbursed for driving on behalf of the PNNA. He requests the IRS's commercial rate for driving for specific tasks (such as pickup up or delivery of calendars, *Nor'Westers*, etc), and the non-profit rate for simply attending PNNA events as an officer. Joseph Boling opined that he felt such expenses should deducted from an individual's taxes or considered as a donation as a volunteer for the organization. The sense of the board was that Eric should put his proposal in writing for consideration at a future board meeting. He agreed to do so.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:57 AM.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, secretary.

### **Minutes of PNNA general membership meeting 30 April 2005, Tukwila, Washington**

President Larry Gaye called the meeting to order at 6:25 PM. Twenty-one members were present.

The first business was announcement of the fall show in Portland (28-30 October) jointly sponsored by Willamette Coin Club and the PNNA, with the WCC running the bourse and the PNNA conducting the educational programs. The show will be at the Doubletree Inn (where the PNNA annual show was held from 1995-2000). Part of the proceeds from the show will fund a scholarship to the ANA summer seminar in the name of Rob Retz.

The ANA board, meeting in Kansas City in March, decided that the ANA will return to Portland for its spring National Money Show™ in 2009.

As of 2:00 PM on this date, attendance at the PNNA convention in Tukwila, 2005, had been about 1,200 persons.

President Gaye thanked Dr. Walt Ostromecki for his work in administering the YN program at this convention. About 500 YNs took part in the program. He then thanked Arthur and Prue Fitts for their presentations in the numismatic theater at this convention.

Bruce Wonder pointed out that some local clubs are coming up on their 50th anniversaries. Salem will celebrate its 50th in 2006, and the Vancouver Numismatic Society's 50th was this month (for which a commemorative medal has been struck). Victoria will celebrate theirs 12 June.

Lisa Loos announced the winners of the PNNA scholarships to ANA summer seminar for 2005 - adult Janna Silverstein and YN Matthew Crane.

Larry Rowe thanked the exhibitors at the convention [way too few] and the judges (Joseph Boling, Arthur and Prue Fitts) and announced the following exhibit awards:

Competitive exhibit award winners:

- Class 3, tokens, medals, and decorations: 1st place, J Eric Holcomb (space program medals). Class 5, miscellaneous: 1st place, Susan Billings (AA program medals).
- Clarence Heppner award, best tokens and medals exhibit - J. Eric Holcomb. Byron Johnson award, best of show - J. Eric Holcomb (this includes \$200 in assistance to take the exhibit to the 2005 ANA convention).

President Gaye thanked Larry Rowe for his service as exhibit chairman.

President Gaye announced that the Bob Everett award for 2005 goes to Joseph Boling (certificate and a check for \$200).

President Gaye thanked this convention's general chairman (Richard Billings) and bourse chairman (Scott Loos) for their work.

President Gaye announced that the Nina Nystrom Numismatic Ambassador award for 2005 goes to Lisa Loos and Scott Loos (plaque).

Arthur Fitts stated that he and Prue had come because the Rows and Loos' had invited them. It had been a fun convention, and they see a vitality here that is missing in many other locales.

Eric Holcomb announced that there would be leftover copies of *The Nor'wester* if anyone needs them for local distribution at their home clubs.

Someone suggested that in future years there should be a security room for non-local dealers on Thursday evening. The committee will consider that but is not optimistic that we will spend the money to support that suggestion.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, secretary.

### **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 10 September 2005, Portland, Oregon**

Meeting called to order by President Larry Gaye at 5:10 PM with eight members present: Scott and Lisa Loos, Eric Holcomb, Bill Roark, Larry & Kathy Rowe, Dick Billings and Larry Gaye. Scott L. reported that 98 (maybe 99) tables have been sold for the October show and that he anticipated no problems with any conflicting shows. Larry Gaye stated the security has been arranged as well as local advertising. He also mentioned that the advertising budget was "about triple" the old Willamette show budgets. Larry also reported that there would be a special Boy Scout program (set up in a separate room) as well as a special "Halloween Hunt" for the kids on the Sat. of the show. Both Larry and Scott said they would be putting out the call for volunteers to help with set-up, take-down and registration. Larry G. assured members that the Willamette Coin Club would be providing virtually all the necessary manpower for those requirements. Dick Billings stated that, while there had been quite adequate help (mostly from the Seattle Numismatic Society members) for set-up at the spring show in Tukwila, the take-down task on Sunday evening was "horrible" with only 2 other members to help him. Dick was quoted as saying "Never again!"

Larry G. reported that the Doubletree will be providing a hospitality room for the show use on all three days. There was discussion about prizes for the kids' program, and that one of the things would of course be coins, especially the Oregon State quarter and the new "Lewis & Clark" nickels. Lisa L. moved that we allocate \$350 for prizes, candy, etc. for the show. Seconded by Kathy Rowe and passed. There was discussion about the possibility of bringing show display cases to Portland from Joe Boling's garage. Also, discussion about trophies and awards for the Numismatic Theater. Larry reminded the members that there was a need for speakers for the show. Larry G. stated that he would be appointing a chairman for the Numismatic Theater soon.

Eric Holcomb presented a written suggestion that the PNNA reimburse members for necessary travel (mileage) expenses. Larry Rowe suggested that the PNNA have a "per diem" allowance for board members attending board meetings. After some discussion, Larry R. moved and Kathy R. seconded that PNNA officers and board members be reimbursed \$20 for each board meeting attended. Motion passed unanimously. It was pointed out that eligible members would need to apply for the reimbursement, it will not be automatic.

Scott L. said that he has had a couple of requests from dealers who would like a "security room" at the Tukwila show from Thursday evening until Friday morning. This would be like something the ANA offers dealers at their shows. Dick B. reminded the members that the Tukwila off-duty police rate is now \$35 per hour so a security officer for 16 hours (4 PM Thursday to 8 AM Friday) would cost \$560. Scott said he would like to see if the US Post Office (or maybe UPS or Fed Ex) might be talked into setting up something "on-site." The show committee will look into this.

Larry Gaye also reminded members that the Willamette CC would be providing coffee, donuts, etc. for the hospitality room. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Minutes by acting Secretary Dick Billings.

## **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 29 October 2005, Portland, Oregon**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 6:10pm. Present were vice president Richard Billings, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, Norm Mikat, William Roark, Kathy Rowe, Larry Rowe, and Bruce Wonder, appointed dealer-director Rob Anglemier, and members Jerry Bobbe and Glen Schinke.

President Gaye welcomed all to the Willamette Coin Club/PNNA show. He recognized Glen Schinke for assistance in setting up, the Loos's for recruiting all the dealers to participate, and members of the Willamette Coin Club for setup of the show. Howard Spindel was instrumental in getting the bourse room layout changed from classroom to bourse at the last minute. Thanks also to Dick Billings, the Rowes for registration and hospitality, and Eric Holcomb in selling the souvenir notes for the show.

Moved/seconded (Mikat/L Loos) to distribute the 29 remaining show souvenir bills to the volunteers. Passed. President Gaye will distribute the notes and will also write a letter to Steve Cox thanking him for designing and printing the notes.

Nominations and election committee for the 2006 election - President Gaye appointed Larry Rowe as chair. Gaye says he will run again. He also wants all to know that running for the board does not lead to a sinecure. Anyone who wants to run, let Rowe know and be ready to participate and contribute.

The original plan had been for the WCC to run this show, and the PNNA to run the educational programs associated with it - the latter did not happen, which is disappointing. There was also an intent to assist the Salem club in celebrating its 50th anniversary. With the board meeting only a few times a year, it is sometimes hard to anticipate what an individual member's intention is when a proposal is made (and to engage board members in conducting such activities).

As of the time of the meeting, it seems to be a successful show - the dealers are pleased. L Loos mentioned a need to place an "emergency exit only" sign on the back door to control outbound traffic there. We will have to consult with house security because of rules regarding fire exits. [Done.]

Holcomb - The ANA has asked us to make any suggestions relevant to ANA's operations, particularly the club representative program. Gaye - has been holding a letter from the WCC about the Las Vegas show and other issues.

Tomorrow before dealers leave Gaye would like board members who are still present to thank dealers and other members for coming. We want to make things as easy for them as possible.

Minutes of the 10 September board meeting - amend to show: moved/seconded (L Loos and K Rowe) to allow Eric Holcomb to be compensated for taking a different exhibit to the ANA convention in San Francisco than the one he showed (and which won Best of Show) at Tukwila this year (the winning exhibit had already been shown at an ANA convention). Passed.

Moved/seconded (S Loos/L Rowe) to approve the 10 September board meeting minutes as amended above. Passed.

L Loos inquired about whether we need to nominate and elect two persons as secretary and treasurer in the next term. Boling said that we must change the bylaws if we intend to keep both jobs in one individual. The consensus was to return to having two persons in the two jobs (as the bylaws require). Anyone with ideas for nominees should contact Larry Rowe. We would like to have every position contested.

Moved/seconded (Billings/Mikat) to put another \$1000 into the YN education program. Passed.

Moved/seconded (Holcomb/Boling) to buy an answering service for Boling's phone number for up to a year, to field calls resulting from the thousands of wooden nickels circulating with Boling's phone number. Wonder: we should junk the obsolete wooden nickels in hand [several thousand] and develop a new publicity tool. Billings volunteered to check the answering service and reply. Moved/seconded (Billings/Wonder) to table the motion. Passed. Moved/seconded (Billings/Holcomb) to inquire about the mechanics of getting such a service. Passed.

Tukwila show report - sold out. No further report.

Boling - we never followed up on the donation to the Ray Mah memorial (nobody from the North Shore Numismatic Society contacted him). Gaye - if we have not made that payment yet, send it [payment of \$100 was delivered to a NSNS representative on 6 December 2005 in Vancouver].

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, secretary.