

## Compilation of PNNA Meeting Minutes for 2006

### **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 21 January 2006, Kent, Washington**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 5:14 PM. Present were vice president Richard Billings, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Del Cushing, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, William McKivor, William Roark, Kathy Rowe, Larry Rowe, and Bruce Wonder, and appointed dealer-director Rob Anglemier.

Secretary Boling noted that he had just discovered that he had not completed and published the minutes of the 29 October meeting in Portland. They will accompany the minutes to this meeting.

The treasurer's annual report for 2005 was handed out. Moved/seconded (S Loos/K Rowe) to accept the report subject to audit. Passed.

Report of nominations committee (Larry Rowe, chair) - still taking nominations until 1 March (he has received none so far from the general membership). He has generated nominations for the officer positions and half of the directors. Several serving officers have volunteered to run again. Gaye reminded all that there may be a few tasks that directors will be asked to perform.

Show report - Tukwila - 101 tables sold out - calls are coming in from across the country to get on the waiting list. We should be good to go for our April weekend. We tentatively have the Fitts coming to visit (as speakers) and Walt Ostromecki to assist with the YN program. Richard Doty will also be coming as a speaker. Tom Rogers (former engraver at the US Mint) is a possible speaker. One club has asked for time for a meeting (C4). Gaye: wants to ensure that there is one POC for education at the convention. McKivor is willing to let someone else be the educational program chair because he can't always be in the room for the presentations. Billings said he would be doing the introductions. McKivor will keep the chair and wants anyone who knows of a potential speaker to contact him.

The new South King County Coin Club is the host club for this year's convention - they will assist in set-up, tear-down, and hospitality (for the \$750 payment that is offered for that work). S Loos will check to see if the hotel arrangement will be the same as previously. The president's breakfast will not be held this year - it has not served the functions we wanted it to. Greg Franck-Weiby has not yet sent designs, but the same token program is planned as in previous years. Holcomb - should we again have a special edition of *The Nor'Wester*? If so, we need a couple of good articles to fill it out. The consensus was to repeat the special edition. L Rowe - something should be written about Boling's years of service and imminent departure. Rowe to write. Billings - we also need to arrange storage space for cases and other convention materials following the convention. Cushing to check. We also need some new lamps and bases. S Loos to acquire.

The October joint convention with the Willamette Coin Club was a success in most respects. A total of \$2600 was spent on advertising - about \$1700 more than any previous show - covering all print media. Some mistakes will be corrected in future events. They are already advertising for 14-15 October 2006, and have decided that is it not yet time to move to a three day show (we also want to keep the Tukwila convention as the main regional focus).

The educational programs (except for the very successful Boy Scout clinics) at the 2005 WCC/PNNA show did not pan out as intended and will get additional attention for future conventions. We might also get the silver art bar collectors to use the 2006 fall convention for their annual meeting. Gaye will contact Steve Cox about preparing scrip for the fall show - leaving the token program for the Tukwila convention.

Boling - what about continued sponsorship of ANA conventions, in light of current widespread dissatisfaction with ANA policies? Gaye - that money goes directly into creature comforts for visitors to the show (such as carpeting). Consensus was to continue the standing order for \$50 for each convention.

McKivor: goes to the British token congress each year and is the only US attendee. It is a major event - three days of seminars, dining, and conviviality. It is an all-volunteer effort that moves around the country, changing hosts each year. McKivor has been volunteering Seattle for several years, and they are beginning to consider coming to the US for such an event. He suggests that we put it together with the Tukwila convention, and extend invitations to US collectors to attend as well. McKivor would be primarily responsible for the coordination. The token congress and its own bourse would be held at the hotel, scheduled so as not to detract from the main PNNA show bourse.

PNNA scholarships for 2006 - the phrasing has been changed to "tuition-room-board and transportation up to \$1000," one adult, one YN, applications due 15 March. Moved/seconded (S Loos/L Loos) to fund two scholarships for this year. Passed.

Gaye - the Salem Coin Club has requested our mailing list of OR/WA dealers for their 50th anniversary show. S Loos will provide.

Boling - we need a new archivist. Nobody volunteering. We need space and storage capability for records - not in the storage locker with the exhibit cases. Holcomb is willing to scan materials for digital storage. Cushing will hold the Cushing collection of PNNA memorabilia in his safe.

Moved/seconded (Cushing/K Rowe) to adjourn. Passed at 6:25 PM.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, secretary.

## **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 22 April 2006, Tukwila, Washington**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 8:10 AM. Present were president Larry Gaye, vice president Richard Billings, secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Del Cushing, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, William McKivor, Kathy Rowe, Larry Rowe, Bruce Wonder, and appointed dealer-director Rob Anglemier, and members Dale Crawford, Mark Gruner, Gawain O'Connor, Walt Ostromecki, Al Schy, and guest Owen Gruner.

President Gaye expressed thanks to Dick Billings for arranging the presence of the mayor of Tukwila for the show opening on Friday. He also thanked those who ran for office in the just-completed election. He then thanked Joe Boling for his work in the Pacific NW. Eric Holcomb presented Boling a color copy of the cover of the current *Nor'Wester* (containing the Boling NW numismatic bio).

The PNNA now has a computer projector for presentations. The Willamette Coin Club owns a laptop donated by Phil Lockwood that will be used to drive it. It will be available to member clubs as needed. If the projector alone is borrowed by a club, then the computer driving it will have to have a PowerPoint reader.

Election report - deferred to the general membership meeting this evening. Mikat - why is the board meeting early in the morning and the general meeting late in the day? Scott Loos - there is no time for both in the evening, and to get the general members to come to the awards presentation, we do that in the evening.

Convention report - Cushing - everyone he has talked to seems to be happy. McKivor - thumbs up. Billings - we will probably have low attendance today due to good weather. Lots of dealers had a very strong Friday - some did a three-day show's business on that one day. There is a buzz in the air (partly attributable to strong bullion markets). There is a concomitant impact on the prices for common gold and silver items, though. US 90% silver coins are trading at 9.5x face.

Old business - Eric Holcomb again raised his motion to subscribe to Qwest voicemail service for Boling's telephone number, on which Boling can put messages to redirect callers to his new number in Indiana and to selected PNNA numbers in the area for PNNA activities. Moved and seconded (Holcomb/McKivor) to buy this subscription for a year. Mikat - does not feel it would be cost effective. McKivor, Gaye - but effective in terms of public service to callers. Mikat - lazy people won't call the second number. McKivor - our choices are spending money to make new wooden nickels or to use the voice mail service. Mikat - Let's take the loss on the existing nickels and make new ones. What would that cost? Cushing - Cost to reorder 5000 nickels is about \$500. Moved/seconded (Wonder/McKivor) to table Eric's motion. Passed. Moved/seconded (Mikat/Wonder) to eat (figuratively) the remaining wooden nickels and make new ones. Passed. Whose number to put on the new nickel? Norm Mikat volunteered to let his number be used.

Boling brought up the recent ANA increase in tuition for the summer seminar, and the fact that YN tuition is \$50 higher than adult tuition [because the YNs go on a mandatory field trip up Pikes Peak]. This has caused the portion of the scholarship available for transportation to shrink significantly. Moved/seconded (Cushing/Mikat) to raise the YN scholarship [only] to \$1,100 effective in 2006. Passed.

Moved/seconded (Rowe/Mikat) that since Boling is moving on, we need a new chief judge as well. Nominate Eric Holcomb (who will reluctantly accept). Passed.

Bill McKivor wants to know why a PNNA member caught stealing coins in the past is attending the convention. Wasn't he expelled? No. Boling explained that he has continued to pay dues and that the board has never taken any action regarding his alleged misconduct at other clubs' shows. Boling - we need to convene a discipline meeting

if we want to pursue this. Cushing - also for another member accused of writing a bad check? Yes. Gaye - Can board members spend some time here this morning? We will follow this meeting with a discipline meeting.

Moved (Billings) that the PNNA reimburse the bourse chair for his dealer table fee for this and the fall shows. Loos - this has already been done. Motion withdrawn.

For consideration at future meetings - Gaye wants to make additional benefits available to members. Wants a seminar for general membership for members only - an education package. We have about 250 members, of which a large proportion are dealers. They get little benefit, but he wants to introduce some benefits for them - seminars of various types. He wants to do this at any show that has a board meeting in conjunction.

Boling raised the question of who is to replace him as PNNA archivist - Cushing volunteered to take the materials (he is already going to be the depository of the memorabilia collection). Schy - there are new containers that can be used to protect archives. Boling then asked who is going to have custody of the PNNA traveling exhibit and the PNNA television set? Put the exhibit table in the storage locker - the cartons containing the numismatic material will go to Cushing. The PNNA TV set will be stored with Scott/Lisa Loos.

Moved/seconded (Boling/L Loos) that Scott Loos (as treasurer) be allowed to place PNNA funds in any financial institutions of his choice in accounts that are covered by FDIC insurance. Passed.

The meeting moved to a closed session with the following members present: Del Cushing, Larry Rowe, Kathy Rowe, Bill McKivor, Eric Holcomb, Norm Mikat, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, Rob Anglemier, Bruce Wonder, Larry Gaye, Joe Boling.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 AM.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, secretary.

### **Minutes of PNNA general membership meeting 22 April 2006, Tukwila, Washington**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 6:18 PM.

Election chairman Larry Rowe announced the results of the PNNA election: president, Larry Gaye; vice president, Lisa Loos; secretary, Eric Holcomb; treasurer, Scott Loos; directors, Del Cushing, Larry Rowe, Richard Billings, Bill McKivor, Bruce Wonder, Rob Anglemier, Steve Cox, Mark Gruner, Michael Sanders, Gawain O'Connor. [Subsequent to the meeting, President Gaye announced that the appointed dealer-representative director will be Norm Mikat.]

Gaye requested that new directors offer their suggestions for PNNA programs. We need to find ways to communicate with collectors - we seem to be attracting only dealers as new members. Gaye thanked Larry Rowe for his service as nominating committee chair and election chair. Rowe noted that of 240+ ballots distributed, only 42 were received back (but there were no contested seats in this election, which would tend to reduce participation).

Exhibit chair Larry Rowe observed that we had better participation this year than we have had the past couple of years. Award hardware will follow. He thanked Joe Boling, Eric Holcomb, and Art Fitts for judging at this convention, and announced the following exhibit awards for 2006:

- [See completed exhibits page for 2006.](#)

Larry Gaye thanked Joe Boling for his work in the Pacific NW for the past several years and observed that he will be missed.

Larry Gaye announced that the Nina Nystrom Memorial Goodwill Ambassador Award for 2006 goes to Phil Lockwood (who coincidentally just donated a laptop computer to the Willamette Coin Club for use as a driver for the PNNA video projector). Lockwood will receive the award plaque at a meeting in the Portland area.

Joe Boling announced that the winner of the Bob Everett Memorial Award for 2006 is Larry Gaye. He presented Gaye with a certificate and a check for \$225.

Art Fitts observed that he and Prue appreciate what they find at the PNNA conventions when they visit, especially the YN programs operated by Walt Ostromecki. Ostromecki announced that about 125 kids had gone through his program this day. Larry Gaye thanked Art and Prue Fitts and Walt Ostromecki for continuing to support the PNNA by attending our conventions and contributing to our educational programs.

Bill McKivor announced that Dick Doty, one of our educational speakers, was not feeling well (and thus was not at this meeting), but that he thanks the convention committee for the welcome extended to him.

Eric Holcomb requested that new board members provide contact info and a photo for the PNNA web site.

Larry Gaye announced that at the next board meeting we would look further at our educational mission and its execution.

Bill McKivor observed that we need an education co-chair for the fall convention with the Willamette Coin Club. He suggested that we put the arm on newly elected director Michael Sanders, who would be local to that meeting. We may be able to get Dr. Doty again for the fall show.

Lary Gaye thanked Bill McKivor for putting together the numismatic theater for this convention.

Boling advised new board members that they can buy the forest green blazer that PNNA officers wear at Rottle's clothing in Auburn. The PNNA provides \$35 toward the purchase of the blazer (which used to leave about \$100 to come out of the officer's pocket - current prices are not known).

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, outgoing secretary.

## **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 10 June 2006, Beaverton, Oregon**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 1720 (5:20 PM).

Members present were: Larry Gaye, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, Larry Rowe, Mike Sanders, Rob Anglemier, and Steve Cox.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

A copy of a proposed disciplinary letter was reviewed, and a lengthy discussion ensued. It was decided not to take any further action for the present time as no formal complaint has been made. L. Loos motioned that the issue be tabled, and this was seconded by M. Sanders. All voted in favor.

In regard to a second PNNA member who owed bourse fees to the PNNA-member Boeing Employees Coin Club, Larry Gaye reported that all monies owed have now been paid. A \$5 debt outstanding to the PNNA will be dropped.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Educational seminars

Larry Gaye posed the question of whether the PNNA should sponsor educational seminars in conjunction with membership meetings as a benefit to the membership as well as a "draw" to get more members participating in PNNA functions. This was discussed and the consensus was that any such meetings are best held apart from show venues as it is too difficult to get participants (among both dealers and the general membership) when competing with time spent on the bourse floor. Larry Gaye will work with Bill McKivor and Mike Sanders on the details of planning a membership meeting/seminar.

#### Salem Coin Club

Larry Gaye announced that the PNNA-member Salem Coin Club is looking for speakers for their 50th anniversary convention to be held 24-26 November in Salem, OR. As no volunteers were forthcoming at the board meeting, Larry Gaye and Mike Sanders will continue to assist the Salem Coin Club in their search.

#### PNNA Procedural Manual

Lisa Loos put forward a request that all board members assist her in the development of "job descriptions" outlining the responsibility of the various committee chair positions. Lisa also suggested that all board members able take an active role in chairing committees as needed. This was discussed by the board, and the committees identified were as follows:

- Convention
- Education (includes Scholarship sub-committee)
- Election

- Exhibit (includes National Coin Week sub-committee)
- Membership
- YN

Lisa Loos also requested that a list of instructions for host clubs to outline their responsibilities when sponsoring a PNNA coin show be included in the proposed PNNA Procedural Manual. All board members agreed with the proposals. Lisa Loos requests that all member-submitted drafts outlining the required responsibilities of committee chair positions be submitted to her no later than September 1, 2006. She will present a compiled first draft to the board by September 15.

#### Old PNNA wooden nickels

In a consensus it was decided by the board to discontinue the production of PNNA “wooden nickels.” In their place Larry Gaye suggested personalized PNNA business cards for all officers and board members. The rationale for the change is that the public is more accustomed to handling and saving business cards, and the more widespread dispersal of business cards will make them a better marketing tool. Each card will have the PNNA logo with the officer’s or board member’s name and contact information on the front, and the names and contact information for all the officers on the back. Larry Gaye has volunteered to be responsible for the initial printing, which will be approximately 50 cards per officer and board member. All present were in favor of this decision.

#### Treasurer’s report

A copy of the Treasurer’s report was reviewed. Lisa Loos put forward a motion to accept the report and Mike Sanders seconded this. All voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 1850 (6:50 PM).

Minutes respectively submitted by Steve Cox.

### **Minutes of PNNA board meeting 14 October 2006, Portland, Oregon**

The meeting was held at the Lloyd Center Doubletree Inn in conjunction with the Willamette Coin Club/PNNA 2nd Annual “Mini-Con.”

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 6:12 PM. Present were vice president Lisa Loos, secretary Eric Holcomb, treasurer Scott Loos, directors Steve Cox, Del Cushing, Gawain O’Connor, Mark Gruner (with his son Owen), Larry Rowe, Michael Sanders and Bruce Wonder, and appointed dealer-director Norm Mikat. Also present were PNNA members Jerry Bobbe, Mark Emtman, Walt Ostromecki and possibly others.

#### **Reports and Old Business:**

Show Report – The show attendance was approximately 300 today, maybe more. Registration forms submitted will help form a mailing list for Oregon. It is a good show; we are enjoying it and the dealers are happy! However, there are no table covers. The show dates next year are October 12-14, 2007. Thanks to Walt Ostromecki for his outstanding YN program, to Steve Cox for the “scrip,” and to all the other show volunteers. We have good security, including two former marshals. Bourse applications for the 2007 show will be available Sunday, and we have started a waiting list.

Minutes – Larry Rowe made a motion to accept the June meeting minutes as written; it was seconded and passed.

Treasurer’s Report – We have money! Everything came over from former treasurer Joseph Boling to new treasurer Scott Loos. The balance is about \$45,000. Scott will e-mail the details. \$50 was received in PNNA dues by the Willamette Coin Club. The treasurer’s report was accepted by a passed motion. It was requested that checks to the PNNA be deposited within one month – Scott is working on this; it may not always be possible when someone else receives the check before Scott.

Memorabilia Collection – Norm reported that the PNNA memorabilia collection was misplaced when Joe left town. (It has subsequently been found.) Some items were transferred from Joe to Del and other items to Eric. (Del now has almost all the items.) David Sklow will donate a 1990 ANA convention medal (which refers to the PNNA as the host club) to the PNNA; Eric will write a thank-you letter. Del also offered to donate a set of the small-size silver and bronze medals from the 1990 ANA convention.

Elections – Larry said that we should be on the lookout for new board members to serve beginning in 2008 when we have our next elections.

Procedural Manual – Delayed; Lisa will still work on it eventually!

Memberships – Scott Loos has suggested that we contract with Rachel Irish's business, Membership Solutions, to handle the PNNA membership list and annual renewals. We need to get more information about the cost of the service and what services are offered, such as sending reminder notices. There is also the issue of who would receive the membership payments, some of which now come in through PayPal. A decision is desired in time for the December newsletter. (This did not happen.)

Puyallup Fair Report – Eric reported that this annual activity (of staffing a coin table in the Hobby Hall at the Fair) was very successful again despite not having any new wooden nickels to hand out this year. There was a brief discussion of the woods again.

**New Business:**

YN Appropriation – Lisa moved and Bruce seconded to appropriate \$1,000 for YN programs at the next annual convention in Tukwila. Passed.

IBNS Meeting – Del Cushing was approached by Ron Richardson (from the NSNS) about a Northwest chapter of the IBNS (International Bank Note Society). A preliminary meeting will be scheduled at the April convention in Tukwila.

Summer Seminar Scholarships – Norm moved and Steve seconded to appropriate \$2,050 total for 2007 ANA Summer Seminar scholarships (\$1,000 for an adult and \$1,050, including a \$50 field trip, for a YN). Passed. The same YN won the scholarship the past two years; we would like to approach some others about applying and possibly advertise more. The scholarship committee (Scott Loos, Larry Gaye and Mark Gruner) may revise the application and establish policies such as limiting awards to the same person to two non-consecutive years.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 PM.

Minutes prepared by Eric Holcomb, Secretary.