



**AWCI Board of Directors
Minutes of Meeting
April 1, 2014**

This conference call meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM Central time by president Yazijian.

Board members present: Manuel Yazijian, Fred White, Henry Kessler, Terry Kurdzionak, Wes Grau, Drew Zimmerman, Chris Carey, John Safranek, Tom Nesbit, Joe Cerullo

Absent with notice: Michal Blaszczyk

Non Board members: Paul Wadsworth, parliamentarian; Dennis Warner, past president; and Jordan Ficklin, Executive Director.

**#1 Motion to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2014 meeting as amended, made by Chris Carey, second by Fred White
n.b. Wes Grau's name was on the attendance as present and he was not on the March 4, call**

Motion passes by a voice vote of those that were on the call for the March 4 meeting.

Convention update: There will be an ELM Trust barbeque on site at the hotel in August on the Friday evening of the convention. Capacity on the outdoor patio is sixty. May and June HT plus the website will contain registration info for all activities

RFP's for hotel venues for the 2015 convention are being sent out by Terry. The tentative dates are Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 2015 in Kansas City, MO. The Jules Borel Company will receive members for a tour of their facility.

Spare parts committee: Drew Zimmerman reported that the calls are being made to all the companies on our list. It requires more investigation than was originally thought and he is requesting the assistance of some of the BOD. It is a factual Q & A to companies that will be published.

Discussion of letter sent by a non member to the BOD via email. Some of the directors wanted to dismiss the letter as the matter has been settled by the Court. Other members felt that if the person wrote to the BOD, then the BOD should respond or make contact with the non member.

#2 Motion - that Board member Wes Grau contact Andre Fleury in response to his email to the board and that Andre Fleury be made aware at the onset of the



conversation that it (the conversation) will be recorded and then shared with the members of the Board. Motion made by Fred White, second by Terry Kurdzionak

Roll Call Vote: Voting YES- Tom Nesbit, Chris Carey, Joe Cerullo, Fred White, Wes Grau, John Safranek, Drew Zimmerman, Henry Kessler
Voting NO- Terry Kurdzionak

Update from headquarters: Jordan reported being busy with classes as well as getting ready for the JCK show in Las Vegas. AWCI is currently living within its means. We do need to amend our 2013-2014 budget to allow for a \$15K expense to purchase movements for Education. This money had been earmarked for education in a loan by the ELM Trust, for the purpose of obtaining training watches. The ELM Trust is calling back the loan of \$20K. The loan will be paid back to the Trust by AWCI and then The ELM Trust will make a \$25K donation to AWCI for the purpose of funding the salary of a full time instructor.

Motion #3- Made by Fred White, Move to amend the 2013-2014 budget to include a \$15K expense to purchase watch movements for use in education seconded by John Safranek

Roll call vote: 9 YES, 0 - NO Motion Carries

*At this point, the gavel is virtually passed to the VP, Fred White as the president would like to take part in the conversation

Regarding the member survey questions from January 2014

Negative comments are acceptable, vulgar comments are not, therefore: Having viewed the full survey results, Wes Grau moves that we share Jordan's summary of the membership survey results; second by Drew Zimmerman
Roll call vote taken, Nine (9) YES, Zero (0) NO Motion Carries

Motion #4- Move that AWCI post in Horological Times and on the AWCI website a general request for sponsorship of each AWCI training DVDs; motion made by Henry Kessler, second by Chris Carey

Discussion: This needs more work, need to develop guidelines for content as well as sponsorship (Tom Nesbit, Joe Cerullo)

Henry Kessler: I would like to amend my motion to include that guidelines for the DVDs be created by the BOD and approved by the Education committee before seeking sponsorships.

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**Second by Chris Carey, Roll Call vote (8) YES, (0) NO
please note that Wes Grau had left the call Motion to the amendment
CARRIES**

**Next was the roll call vote on the amended motion- Voice vote was unanimous in
the affirmative. MOTION CARRIES**

**Motion #5- Joe cerullo moves to adjourn, second by Tom Nesbit
Voice vote-Unanimous, MOTION CARRIES**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:31 PM CT
Next meeting, Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 7PM CT**

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Kurdzionak, secretary

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