



Minutes for the New Business, AWCI Board of Directors Meeting 8/22 Clinton, MD.

Board members in attendance: Fred T. White, Drew Zimmerman, Chris Carey, Manuel Yazijian, Jason Champion, Wesley Grau, Aaron Recksiek, Josh Kroman, Joseph Cerullo

Board Members absent: John Safranek, Tom Nesbit

Also present: Paul Wadsworth, parliamentarian

New Business opened as the time allotted for the BOD meeting had already run out.

The newly elected board members, Josh Kroman, Aaron Recksiek, and Jason Champion, were sworn in and installed.

There was an election of officers by secret ballot. Fred T. White was elected President. Drew Zimmerman was elected Vice President. Chris Carey was elected Secretary and Manuel Yazijian was elected Treasurer.

Josh Kroman initiated a short discussion concerning CEU policy.

Chris Carey, the Affiliate Chapter Chairman, made the following four (4) motions on behalf of the Affiliate Chapters and coming from committee the motions did not require a second.

Motion #1 for the AWCI Board of Directors from the Affiliate Chapters

1. We propose that Horological Times begin to accept ads for generic parts.

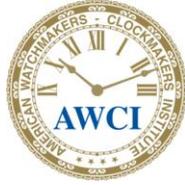
Reasoning: Watchmakers are running out of parts. The board voted not to accept generic part ads for HT, but they are CW21's. It would increase HT income if they accepted these ads and let folks know alternate sources.

Motion #1 passes unanimously.

Motion #2 for the AWCI Board of Directors from the Affiliate Chapters

2. We propose that AWCI find the funds to support at least one speaker a year to each Affiliate Chapter at a nominal cost of \$1000.

Reasoning: AWCI used to support Affiliate Chapters with speakers at a nominal fee. The chapters cannot afford the current pricing structure. AWCI needs to show more support for the chapters, otherwise we may cease to exist.



After a short discussion there was a motion made by Wes Grau and seconded by Manuel Yazijian to table this motion until the next teleconference meeting. The motion to table was passed unanimously.

Proposal #3 for the AWCI Board of Directors from the Affiliate Chapters

3. We propose that draft minutes of any meeting of AWCI be made available to all members within 7 days. This would include handouts at said meetings such as budgets and committee reports. This could be in a member's only area of the AWCI web page.

Reasoning: AWCI is not a secret society. NAWCC used to be run in a similar manner to the current operation of AWCI. Members knew nothing about their board meetings etc. A board member started publishing unofficial minutes days after their meetings. This led to a number of changes that seemed to greatly improve membership. Right now you have to really dig into the files on the AWCI web page to find these documents posted months after an event and it is not publicized that they are available

Motion #3 failed. The vote was a unanimous.

Motion #4 for the AWCI Board of Directors

4. We propose that the policy manual 3.2007.02 be amended to read: An Affiliate Chapter whose delegate attends and participates in the annual meeting will be reimbursed the amount equal to the cost of the affiliate chapter dues.

Reasoning: In these times where AWCI membership numbers are in flux and in a downward trend we no longer feel it is fair, especially to the smaller affiliate chapters, to require the 15 member minimum for reimbursement. Participation should be the measure. This also is more important now that the reimbursement has been reduced several times over the recent years. It should be no less than the annual dues that the chapter pays.

After a short discussion there was a motion made by Wes Grau and seconded by Manuel Yazijian to table this motion until the next teleconference meeting. The motion to table was passed unanimously

There was a motion made to adjourn by Wes Grau and seconded by Joe Cerullo. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Carey, Secretary

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