



## **Minutes of AWCI Board of Directors Conference call Meeting, February 3, 2015**

Directors present: Fred White, Drew Zimmerman, Manuel Yazijian, Chris Carey, Wesley Grau, Tom Nesbit, Jason Champion, Aaron Recksiek, Marc Young, and Joe Cerullo

Directors Excused: Josh Kroman, John Safranek,

Also Present: Jordan Ficklin, Paul Wadsworth, Henry Kessler.

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 PM Eastern Time by President Fred White.

Fred asked if there were any corrections or objections to the minutes of the January 13, 2015 conference call. After correcting spelling and grammar there were no objections and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

Fred called each committee to give reports.

The Ethics Committee reported that there was one complaint and that it was resolved.

The Marketing Committee was working on contacting the JCK.

Jordan Ficklin reported that the Convention Committee would like to have the theme of the 2015 convention be "Join us in the Heart of America as AWCI celebrates the rebirth of the American Watchmaking Spirit!" This would focus on the current American made/assembled watch and clock manufacturers. These companies would be invited to participate in the convention. Jordan asked for the Board's opinion on the theme.

**Motion #1:** Joe Cerullo moved that the theme of the 2015 convention be "Join us in the Heart of America as AWCI celebrates the rebirth of the American Watchmaking Spirit!" The motion was seconded by Marc Young. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Drew Zimmerman reported that the Spare Parts Committee had 7 active members and they agreed to have quarterly meetings and each would contact a certain number of companies each quarter. Their goals for 2015 were to have a letter to send to jewelers explaining about the spare parts directory and to have a hand-out to give to jewelers and independent watchmakers.

Paul Wadsworth reported that the Constitution and By-laws Committee reviewed the constitution and by-laws of The Lititz Watch Technicum Alumni Association, a group applying to become an affiliate chapter of AWCI. The C&B Committee recommended three changes that needed to be made before the Board of Directors could vote to accept the group. The Lititz Watch Technicum Alumni Association President, Aaron Recksiek, indicated that they would be able to make the necessary changes.



Paul Wadsworth also addressed the previous motion from the membership restructuring committee.

**Motion #2:** Wes Grau moved that the matter of membership restructuring be tabled until the midyear meeting. The motion was seconded by Joe Cerullo. It was passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Manuel Yazijian left the meeting at 9:05 pm eastern time.

Joe Cerullo made a motion to adjourn seconded by Wes Grau and the motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:13.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Carey