


	<p>American Watchmakers-Clockmakers Institute Board of Directors</p> <hr/> <p>MEETING MINUTES</p>	
<p>December 6th, 2016 8 p.m. ET, 7 p.m. CT, 6 p.m. MT, 5 p.m. PT</p>		

Call to order: 8:02 p.m. ET

AWCI President Fred White presiding.

Location: GotoWebinar

Roll call

Directors Present: Fred White, Joe Cerullo, Henry Kessler, Aaron Recksiek, Sergio Berrios, Josh Kroman, Peter Pronko, Peter Whittle.

Directors Absent: Craig Stone

AWCI staff present: Jordan Ficklin.

Also present: Paul Wadsworth as Parliamentarian, Terry Kurdzionak as Convention Committee Chair.

Terry Kurdzionak was present to provide a report from the convention committee. The committee met on November 17th to try and decide on a location for the 2017 convention so the details could be published in the January Horological Times. The committee had decided on Norfolk, VA because it met all the criteria requested by the board of directors. The decision created some conflict with certain people, but the committee felt like they were under the gun to make a quick decision. The committee met again last week and decided that the Tampa area would also be an acceptable choice to hold the convention. The committee is eager to participate and would like to start planning the locations for the 2018 and 2019 conventions.

Motion 12.6.2016.1 - “Move to hold the 2016 Annual Convention in Tampa, FL”

Made by Terry Kurdzionak, Seconded by Peter Whittle, Approved Unanimously by voice vote.

Motion 12.6.2016.2 - “Approve minutes from the November 9th Meeting”

Made by Henry Kessler, Seconded by Joe Cerullo, Approved Unanimously by voice vote.

Jordan took a trip to Brooklyn to attend American Field market and meet with representatives from some American watch brands. Jordan also visited a shop in White Plains of an AWCI member to view tools that he is considering donating to the ELM trust. The tools would more than double the machine shop at AWCI headquarters and vastly expand the educational opportunities we could provide to the membership. The ELM Trust is eager to accept the donation and even pay for appraisal and shipping costs.

The HSNY has offered access to their digital meetings and lectures to all AWCI members. They have requested an exchange for their members to be able to access the digital copy of the Horological Times.

The idea was presented of how to provide this opportunity or something similar for all affiliate chapters. There were issues brought up about how some affiliate chapters don't charge dues which would essentially provide access to the Horological Times for free.

Motion 12.6.2016.3 - “I move to allow the digital copy of the Horological Times to be made available to current members the HSNY for a one year period, in exchange for access to their online meeting streams and recordings. These meetings will be made available to all current members of AWCI”

Made by Aaron Recksiek, Seconded by Peter Pronko, Approved Unanimously by voice vote.

The sub-committee for reviewing the candidates from Chief Examiner is planning to meet on December 9th. They will evaluate the criteria and reach out to the candidates who have applied. They will then submit a recommendation to the Education Committee who will then in turn submit their recommendation to the board of directors, hopefully by the February conference call.

The subject of the status of the CW21 exam was brought up and when it will be available again. Once a new Chief Examiner is in place, that person will be responsible for coordinating with the board of examiners to move forward with reviewing the exam and implementing the modular format. The board of examiners has decided to allow retakes while the review process is underway but has yet to allow new exams to be taken.

Chapter 1 of the NAWCC has offered AWCI table space at their mart outside Philadelphia in the fall of 2017. Fred White will be looking for volunteers in the area to work at the booth.

At the NAWCC national convention, AWCI was successful with the educational opportunities we offered and we should investigate if we can offer a course at the Chapter 1 mart as well.

Motion 12.6.2016.4 - "Motion to adjourn, 9:04 p.m. ET"

Made by Joe Cerullo, Seconded by Henry Kessler, Approved Unanimously by voice vote.