

MICHIGAN STATE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
Meeting of the Board 6:37 p.m., April 9, 2016
Macomb Community College, Macomb Room, Warren, Michigan

- I. Call to Order Wostyn

- II. Roll Call Strub
Present: President Wostyn, Vice-President Bobrofsky
Directors: David Hartung, Dr. John Chirco, Brett Irick, Andrew Blinkiewicz, Steve Friedman, Chuck Sharpe, William Anderson, Tom Dombrowski, Tom Klunzinger, Steve Marzilli, Ron Sima, Dave Henderson

- III. Introduction of Visitors Wostyn
Bill Summerell, Brian Malnar, Dany Rothfeld, Isaac Hannosh, Frank Passic

- IV. Invocation Strub
Dear Father, thank you for bringing us safely here from all corners of this beautiful state. Thank-you for watching over us, and for taking home to yourself those who have passed from our sight. Thank-you for making this great hobby into an outlet for the creation and deepening of friendships. And bless our friends and acquaintances as they make their way home at the conclusion of our convention. Amen.

- V. Board Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2016 Strub
Minutes of February 27 were distributed to the board on March 26
Klunzinger moved, and Irick seconded, a motion to accept. Then, Julie Wostyn requested additional changes. Strub agreed. And the motion passed.

- VI. Emergency Additions to Agenda Wostyn
None.

- VII. Approve Agenda Board
Approved.

- VIII. Director Absences Strub
January 24: Director Sharpe
April 11: Director Sharpe
August 29: Director Chirco
February 27: Directors Sharpe, Hartung, and Henderson

- IX. Membership Comments Wostyn
Brian Tideswell noted that there were approximately 750 attendees today, 550 yesterday. Figures not final. Another member speculated that the conflict with the Early American Coppers show (EAC) had a large effect on us.

Officers Reports

- A) President Wostyn
Much hard work. Credit card change-over complete.

Applause for Director Anderson for his Policy Manual

- B) Treasurer Exact-Tax
- 1) Financial Holdings Report (see sent in advance) as of end of March
 - 2) Review of Spring 2015 Convention Budget Update (sent in advance – same as Feb. 29)
 - 3) Update on 2015 Tax Return Status – Secretary to notify board by email, send copy scans to President and Treasurer.

- C) Secretary
- 4) Membership Report
 - 23 Honorary Life Members
 - 370 Life Members (Ralph Lefler passed 2 years ago, now off list) + 1 pending, Michael A. Scott
 - 21 Club Members. Monroe, Delta, and Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists did not renew for 2016
 - 31 Junior Members. 22 did not renew for 2016
 - 460 Regular Members. 164 did not renew for 2016
 - 905 Total (189 did not renew for 2016)**

Sirna moved, and Anderson seconded a motion to accept the CONECA Club into membership which was unanimously approved. (Coneca made application to MSNS at this very convention.)

- 5) Correspondence
 - A letter from Klunzinger seeking to establish the Slate/Rothfeld award as a Lansing Coin Club-sponsored award on a footing with others, e.g. the Lucien Chojecki by PANS or the Hartley-Holstein by Mich-TAMS, was referred to committee.

- X. Executive Session Wostyn
- Bobrofsky moved, Friedman seconded, a motion to go into executive session, approved unanimously.**

Sirna moved, Klunzinger seconded a motion to end exec session at 7:50. 10 min break followed.

- XI. New Business
- A) Exhibit Committee Report Passic/Anderson
 - Proposal for “My Town” Display category, with individual whole clubs able to enter this non-competitive section, was moved by Anderson, seconded by Al Bobrofsky, and approved unanimously.**
 - B) Club Outreach Sharpe
 - Sunday is the first club presidents’ round table 1-2:30. Have heard from half of Michigan clubs.
 - C) Personnel Committee Report Anderson
 - Anderson – has updated webmaster profile. Pending still is the interview of incumbent Secretary.
 - D) Life Member Application Approval Strub
 - Bobrofsky moved, and Sharpe seconded, to approve the admission to life membership of Michael A. Scott. Approved unanimously.**
 - E) Co-Host Responsibilities Wostyn

Klunzinger moved, and Blinkiewicz seconded, a motion that we accept the following clubs' requests to host the following conventions: Lincoln Coin Club and Michigan Treasure Hunters, the fall 2017 convention; and Lansing Coin Club and Livingston County Coin Club, the spring 2018 convention. Motion passed unanimously. Strub will inform these clubs in writing.

F) Regarding preparations for the 60th anniversary convention this Fall, 2016:

The 60th anniversary Redbook idea has been turned down.

We have 115 of the required 160 1956 circulated halves for our elongated coin initiative (and within a few days we obtained 48 more)

Irick moved and Anderson seconded a motion to approve spending up to \$1600 to cover 60th Anniversary Banquet Expenses. Approval was unanimous.

Irick moved and Al Bobrofsky seconded a motion that MSNS will give one elongated 50c coin to each purchaser of a banquet ticket, and later sell elongated 50c coins for \$50 each, and 10 counterstamped elongateds at \$100 each. Motion passed with 1 nay.

Ray will accept \$250 for the die and rolling the coins. Counterstamps will be by Kellogg Community College. 6 weeks of lead time will be needed by Ray Dillard for rolled coin design. The design will be selected by the 60th anniversary committee from among designs submitted by Steve Bieda.

The 60th anniversary banquet will be at the Polish Community Center in Troy on the Friday after Thanksgiving. PANS officer Les Rosik assisted in securing the location. The cost will be \$40/plate.

There will be a Silent Auction with TBD specials.

VIP list to be developed.

Dave Harper speaker. Attending with Cliff Mishler.

Articles going to be released to the national press will be written by director Blinkiewicz. They will also be sent to Strub to publish in MichMatist.

Chirco – we need to inform support people, dealers, etc.

XII. Old Business

A) Life Membership Account Funds Wostyn

Interest in our First Merit bank has been building, using interest from the \$50k CD. Acting on a suggestion from Strub at the previous meeting, **Al Bobrofsky moved, and Sirna seconded a motion to transfer sufficient funds from First Merit checking account to cause life membership savings account to increase to \$50,000. Approval was unanimous.**

Al Bobrofsky reminded the board of the basis for maintaining a \$100,000 life member fund: that in 1968 or 1969 there was a board motion that the life member savings account should be increased to that amount as life membership sales caused it to grow, and thereafter that the interest would accrue to the general fund.

B) Fifth Third Credit Card Wostyn

Obtaining a club-based credit card was completed on Monday of this week when the new card was received; it has been already used to rent a truck to bring materials out of storage for this show.

Sirna moved, and Irick seconded, a motion that the President, Vice-President, and Secretary will be the authorized users of the MSNS Credit Card. This passed unanimously.

- C) Confidentiality Agreement Wostyn

Sirna moved, and another seconded, a motion that Jim Motley, Mike Strub, Julianna Wostyn, Brian Tideswell, and all other board members are to sign a confidentiality agreement regarding managing membership information. Approval was unanimous.

Julianna Wostyn will send to all board members.

- D) YN Consent Form Wostyn

All YNs' parents and selves wanted to sign these forms and posed no objections to their children being photographed, so all signed these forms at this show with no problems.

- E) Newman Numismatic Portal Wostyn

Wostyn demonstrated that she could scan 10 years of back issues in one hour, with the help of one assistant. She and several helpers scanned 10 years in 1 hour.

Jim Motley provided options for access through our website, including options for password access.

Sirna moved, and Klunzinger seconded, that we scan the remaining issues that aren't in pdf format and deliver extant pdf formats to our webmaster. Approved unanimously.

Sirna moved, Dombrowski seconded, that we allocate up to \$250 to cover expenses and costs for an assistant to help Julianna do the scanning of the remaining issues of the MichMatist. Julianna and Bobrofsky abstained. Otherwise approval was unanimous.

- F) Mass E-Mail Service Wostyn

Strub stated that he was beginning to work out this process with Motley, who had already provided the name of a service.

- G) Convention Hotel Contracts 2017 thru 2019 Wostyn

Julie has not yet contacted the hotels that currently host our convention. But she has already visited 2 sites – one was not acceptable, another is still being considered. This was done for comparison purposes, and selections have not yet been made.

- XIV Executive Session 9:15-9:55 Wostyn

Executive session exit moved by Klunzinger, seconded by Anderson, unanimously approved.

Sirna moved, and Marzilli seconded a motion that MSNS enter into a discussion with the organization which made a previous presentation in executive session, with the understanding that we would move toward entering an agreement to expand our show. This was approved unanimously.

- XV. Adjournment 9:58pm