

Minutes of the February 16, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting



Meeting was called to order at 6:12 PM at the 40 & 8 Club, Rochester, NY.

Association officers present:

Bob Hatch, Pres.
Robert Avery, Secty.
Michael Venturo, Treas.

Directors present:

David Paonessa
Michael Arsitiz
David LaRue
Jared Ransom
Pat VanHaverbeke (Assoc.)

Other members present:

Richard G. Kellar, Sr.
Joe Paddock
Darryl Moser
Mark Coon
Gregg Bell

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A motion made by Robert Avery to accept this evening's Meeting Agenda was seconded by Darryl Moser and carried.

A motion made by Darryl Moser to accept the Minutes of the November 17th, 2011 BOD and General Membership Meeting was seconded by Jared Ransom and carried.

Officer's Reports:

Secretary Robert Avery noted that all paperwork is up to date. He will take care of revising our letterhead for 2012.

Treasurer Mike Venturo gave his report. He has last year's financials that will be forwarded to the Finance Committee.

Past President Michele Clark: Excused

Vice President John Gillen: Excused

President Bob Hatch attended the recent NYSAPLS Board Meeting and noted a possible dues increase had been discussed. Discussion followed with many worried that a dues increase would not be good for retaining or attracting members. Bob noted that the LS exam review seminar may need to be cut back to only one per year rather than two. Discussion continued on the possible dues increase at the state level and it was suggested that possibly GVLSA cover the cost of any increase.

Committee Reports:

Public Relations: Bob Hatch reported that our monthly RES submittal is in. It was suggested that our proprietor listing be made a part of our monthly announcement.

Finance: No Report.

Membership: Open. Greg Bell offered to assist on this committee.

Education: No Report.

Program: Bob Hatch is working with Vice President Gillen on our upcoming meeting matrix. There will be a webinar on March 8th at 7:00 pm regarding the Marcellus Shale Exploration that provides for 1 PDH.

Associates: Patrick T. VanHaverbeke was introduced.

Historical: No Report.

Standards: A written report was submitted. A motion made by Mic Arsitiz to form the Ad Hoc Ethics Committee under Standards was seconded by Darryl Moser and carried. A motion was made by Dave LaRue to cover the registration fees for three of our members to attend the March 8th Bar Association Seminar pertaining to mapping. The motion was seconded by Dave Paonessa and carried. The cost is \$75.00 per attendee.

Legislative: Bob Hatch indicated that NYSAPLS will once again be pushing for passage of the amended definition of Land Surveying.

Conference: Darryl Moser noted that we must decide upon a theme for the upcoming Rochester Conference, and volunteers will be needed. We also need to consider establishing varied programs for the Conference, including Continuing Ed courses.

The meeting recessed at 7:15 PM and returned to session at 7:35 PM.

Unfinished Business:

The Lighthouse project was reported on by Bob Hatch. We should hear back from the Lighthouse Association subcommittee sometime in April.

Members discussed covering the cost of bus transportation to the annual conference. There was also discussion regarding the cost of a hospitality room at the annual conference. Since both items should involve input from the membership as to how they want our association funds to be spent, we will begin more in depth discussions on these matters at the April meeting. There was a motion made by Robert Avery which was in turn seconded by Mike Venturo to make the final determination on these issues at the May meeting. This motion was carried. There was a motion to accept the revised draft annual budget for 2012 made by Mic Arsitiz which was seconded by Joe Paddock and carried.

A motion made by Darryl Moser to accept the proposed 2012 meeting schedule was seconded by Dave LaRue and carried.

New Business:

Mark Coon provided the annual Joseph E. Glickman Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. report. We need to more actively promote this scholarship. It was discussed that we might consider offering the scholarship to other colleges besides Alfred. All are welcome to attend the annual meeting in March. President Hatch noted we had discussed possibly using some of our GVLSA funds towards the scholarship and maybe even provide an additional grant to an area high school student. The Education Committee should discuss this further.

Jared Ransom reported on the Boy Scout merit badge in surveying. He recently made a presentation along with Doug Churchill at the Bloomfield Scout Troop.

Dick Kellar made a presentation on his work in re-establishing the division line between the Morris Reserve and the Phelps and Gorham Purchase along the NY-PA line which began in 1995. It was discussed that GVLSA might assist in both the actual setting of the monument and financially towards purchase of the marker. President Hatch assigned the matter to the Historical Committee to discuss and return with a recommendation.

A motion was made by Robert Avery and seconded by Mic Arsitiz to donate \$200.00 to the Colvin Crew to assist them with their recent purchase of one of Colvin's original compasses. The motion was carried.

President Hatch indicated that time is running late and agenda items 7.6 through 7.8 will need to be covered at our next meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion made by Jared Ransom to adjourn was seconded by Dave LaRue and carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.