Record of Decisions
Executive Meeting, 3:00 pm. Wednesday, August 20, 2014
at the V.G. Greene Philatelic Research Foundation, 10 Summerhill Ave. Toronto

Item numbers below refer to agenda item numbers.

1/ Welcome: George welcomed the executive members to the meeting. Rod Paige was appointed as Secretary. Garfield Portch was able to attend part of the meeting.

2/ Adoption of agenda: The President’s agenda was distributed and a motion to accept was made by David Oberholtzer, seconded by Rod Paige. Carried.

3/ Record of Decisions: The Record of Decisions for February 26, 2014 Executive Committee meeting were approved on a motion from David Oberholtzer and seconded by Rod Paige.

4/ Finances: Treasurer David Oberholtzer distributed and discussed the current financial statement. The lawyer’s fee for preparing new documents in order to comply with the new Not-for-Profit Corporations Act has not yet been received. It was agreed that the RPSC should pay their share of this when it arrives and this will impact our next financial statement.

The Aid to Publishers Grant of $13,213.00 has now been received. As this money is to assist in the publishing of the TCP, a discussion followed as to the right balance between French and English content. This will also apply to our website. There are still a couple members who owing dues but all of the Chapters are now paid up thanks to follow-ups by David and Garfield.

5/ Membership: David Oberholtzer reviewed current membership. Only 3 members are currently in arrears. Up to ten members have been re-instated after paying their dues. Currently the membership stands at approximately 1186 and appears to be stabilizing.

6/ Not for Profit Act: This meeting is to be held at 7:30 pm just prior to the PSS meeting. Requirements were discussed including the need to have two motions put to the vote of all members present. There is a requirement of a minimum of ten members to form a quorum.

7/ RPSC Foundation: A few suggestions regarding website content were offered including urging our directors to identify youth philately ambassadors for Jean Lafontaine and Yvan Latulippe

8/ VGG: The Annual General Meeting will be held on September 10, 2014

9/ Leave of absence: The continuing leave of absence for Robert Timberg for personal reasons was approved and his position will be kept open pending his return.

10/ Geldert Committee / TCP issues: Nothing new to report from the Geldert committee. In order to manage possible production cost increases for the TCP, Garfield will investigate other venues such as Nova Printing

11/ Digitization: The existing slide programs have all now been delivered by Marilyn Melanson to the Foundation headquarters at the VGG. Garfield requested the purchase of a special scanner in order to transfer the programs into digital files which will make distribution easier. On a motion by David Oberholtzer, seconded by Rod Paige, Garfield is authorized to spend up to $500 to procure a scanner.

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12/ TCP article on Insurance: Garfield reported that he has completed the article and has forward same to Hugh Wood Inc. for their approval (peer review), prior to submitting to TCP for publication.

13/ Halifax 2014: Many positive comments on the show have been received and the convention was deemed to have been a great success. Congratulations have been forwarded to the organizing committee. There were some comments offered by several dealers after the show. These were discussed and, where possible, updates will be incorporated into our “Guidelines for Conventions” package, which is available upon request from the head office.

14/ London 2015: The 2015 convention will be held in London, Ontario. A vote of acceptance has been approved and a letter will be sent to their committee. The organizing committee will be headed by Mr. John Sheffield. George Pepall, David Oberholzer and Leigh Hogg (all members of the 2016 Kitchener committee) attended a recent planning meeting in London and all reported that arrangements are well in hand. The layouts have been completed, dealers have been committed and all forms are in final stages of development.

15/ K-W 2016: The 2016 convention will be held in Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario. A vote of acceptance has been approved and a letter will be sent to their committee. The organizing committee will be headed by Mr. Leigh Hogg.

16/ Boucherville 2017: The 2017 convention will be held in Boucherville, Quebec. A vote of acceptance has been approved and a letter will be sent to their committee. The organizing committee will be headed by Jean Lafontaine.

17/ Future conventions: There have been tentative overtures sent to members on the west coast about holding a convention in Vancouver, and in Newfoundland, Mr. Mel Boone has also been contacted about a future convention. Follow-ups will be conducted in the future.

Also, prior to having a solid commitment for 2015, the Ottawa organizing committee for Orapex was approached through M. Stephane Cloutier on the feasibility of holding a joint convention during Orapex. This line of communication will be kept open as a future possibility.

18/ Table at NY 2016: An information table at the New York 2016 Stampshow, jointly manned by members of the RPSC and BNAPS was agreed to be a good idea. The cost will be US$1000 which will be split between the two organizations.

19/ Exhibiting in the USA: A short discussion on problems faced by Canadians exhibiting in the USA. Garfield suggested that photocopies of the pages should be notarized before crossing the border so that exhibits can re-enter Canada without duties etc. This is something that all exhibitors need to be aware of.

20/ Other business: There was no new business.

21/ Next meeting: Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at 3:00 pm has been tentatively set.

22/ Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.