## The RPSC Outgoing Directors and Officers Meeting

held on Friday, May 26, 2017, at 10:30 a.m. in the Pierre Boucher Room, Hotel Mortagne, Boucherville, Quebec

## **Record of Decisions**

1/ The meeting was opened at 10:30 am with eight (8) members in attendance: Marilyn Melanson. Francois Brisse, Jim Taylor, George Pepall, Ed Kroft. Sam Chiu, Stewart Keeley & Rod Paige. After a short discussion about what constitutes a quorum, George Pepall then nominated Hugo Deshaye to be appointed to the Board – to be addressed later in this report under New Business.

2/ Approval of the agenda: proposed by Rod Paige, seconded by Marilyn Melanson – approved

3/ Approval of Minutes of Director's meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> August 2016. It was noted that the date should be corrected to 20<sup>th</sup> August – proposed by Stuart Keeley, seconded by Ed Kroft – approved

4/ President's report and Chapter Liaison Report: George Pepall led off with general comments on the eight(8) year maximum tenure terms for directors. Francois Brisse thanked George for the reports he has published in French language. No updates on the Chapters

5/ Treasurer's report, Membership Statistics and Appointment of signing Authority: Treasurer David Oberholzer being unable to attend, provided copies of his reports through George Pepall. All accounts appeared to be in good shape. The largest expenditure was the purchase of a number of exhibit frames from the APS head office. There have been some concerns about the fragility of the new frames and this will be investigated further. It was noted that Robert Timberg has refused his honorarium and Stuart Keeley proposed, seconded by Rod Paige, that the board provide a small gift in a token of gratitude for his service. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was given by Jim Taylor and seconded by Stuart Keeley – passed unanimously

6/ National Office report: A report was received from Garfield Portch. Jim Taylor asked whether any templates or formats are available for powerpoints from the head office. Any further comments are to be addressed by Robert Timberg at the National Office.

7/ As there is now a new Editor for the "Canadian Philatelist", two separate reports have been received. After a short discussion on the new Editor's style, it was generally agreed that he is doing a fine job. Two suggestions were made, members will be asked to send their comments to the editor (for possible publication) and could a 'Meet & Greet' be held in 2018 so that members could meet with the Editor. The new Editor will be asked for his comments. Ed Kroft then proposed a motion of thanks and encouragement for the new Editor, seconded by Jim Taylor – carried

8/ Webmaster report: The Webmaster will be asked whether advertisements can be posted on the RPSC website

9/ Conventions report: Stuart Keeley requested a motion to approve St. Catharines for the 'Royal 2018 Royale' – proposed by Jim Taylor, seconded by Marilyn Melanson – approved. Schedules for

this event will be available shortly. Rod Paige advised the board that he is searching for venues for upcoming events and would like to encourage all directors to ask their local clubs. Stuart Keeley gave a short presentation on some research he has done into past venues and suggested the introduction of a fixed rotation for upcoming venues.

10/ Judging report: David Piercey sent in a thorough report on his activities as Chief Judge

11/ Ethics Committee report - there was no discussion on this

12/ Historian and Archivist's report - there was no discussion on this

13/ Dealer Liaison report – No report forthcoming – Rod Paige to contact CSDA webmaster Ray Lingen

14/ Public Relations: This is currently being be handled by Garfield Portch and the Head Office.

15/ International Liaison report: Jim Taylor referenced his newsletter which currently is being sent out to over 90 recipients. Jim noted that there appears to be less enthusiasm on the part of International Exhibitors after the recent New York show– there are only five (5) Canadian entries for Taipei so far (even though this is an excellent showing on the part of members of the RPSC). He also noted that costs are still rising and suggested that perhaps the RPSC could offer to pay the frame fees for first time exhibitors.

16/ Canada Post Liaison - no report received so far.

17/ Member Recruitment: Rod Paige will continue to email new members with a welcoming letter as soon as members emails are made available from the Head Office. Stuart Keeley proposed Lloyd Fields be appointed to assist the Youth Program, and also would like to see a separate Youth site linked to the RPSC website.

18/ Geldert Medal - no report so far

19/ Multi-Media programs: this program is currently being handled by Garfield Portch at the Head Office in Toronto.

20/ Sales Circuit: George Pepall would like to see continued support for this program

21/ Youth Commission: Stuart Keeley led a short discussion – Yvanne LaTulippe is no longer available. A copy of the English version of the "Story of Canada" stamp album was passed around to much approval. Stuart also suggested a separate Youth ste be linked to the RPSC website.

22/ Services Francophone - this program will continue with support from Robert Pinet

23/ FQP Liaison: Francois Brisse dicussed the programs already in place and advised the board of a Stamp Camp being held at the show with competitions for the kids attending. The new album "My Treasure Chest" will be released over the weekend – there are 2300 copies available

24/ National Registry of Exhibitors: no report on this was discussed

25/ Other reports: Ed Kroft offered to continue as Legal Advisor to the RPSC and then discussed the possibility of creating a newsletter - similar to the President's column in the CSN. It could be made available electronically. Cathy at the Head Office will be approached for her input, after checking with the new editor to avoid duplication. Ed Kroft proposed that a Social Media Committee be formed, seconded by Marilyn Melanson – approved.

26/ George Pepall offered agendas for the AGM and for the New Directors' meetings

27/ New Business: George Pepall suggested the appointment of Hugo Deshaye to the Board. This was seconded by Ed Kroft – passed unanimously

28/ Adjournment was proposed by Ed Kroft, seconded by Stuart Keeley, The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm

Rod Paige

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