

American Numismatic Association
Board of Governors Open Session Videoconference
Tuesday, January 19, 2020 at 9:00am MT/ 10:00am CT/ 11:00am ET

Call to Order – President COL Steven Ellsworth, ret.

Roll Call – Secretary Sandy Pearl

1. Approval of Open Session Minutes [2 minutes] – President COL Steven Ellsworth, ret.

MOTION by _____, second by _____ to approve the minutes of the Board of Governors' Open Session Meeting Videoconference held December 16, 2021.

2. Continuance of MOU with MoAF [5 minutes] – President COL Steven Ellsworth, ret. & Governor Clifford Mishler

MOTION by Governor Mishler, second by _____ to continue through June 30, 2021 the Memorandum of Understanding for a joint exploratory study with the Museum of American Finance to consider creating a joint satellite museum with the ANA.

3. 2021 Summer Seminar [5 minutes] – Executive Director Kim Kiick & Governor Michael Ellis

MOTION by Governor Ellis, second by _____ to cancel the 2021 Summer Seminar in-person event and continue developing ANA eLearning Academy classes to offer via Zoom while removing the Summer Seminar title from said classes.

Note:

The Education Committee met on January 7, 2021 and voted to submit the following recommendation to the Board of Governors concerning Summer Seminar. The committee unanimously recommends that Summer Seminar be cancelled for 2021.

The Education Committee strongly recommends that the ANA develop eLearning classes using the Zoom format for 2021. The committee thinks that the event should not be called Summer Seminar and that another suitable name be created.

Rational to Cancel

The ANA Summer Seminar has been our premier educational opportunity offered to our members and numismatic community for over 50 years. It has traditionally been held on the campus of the Colorado College utilizing the college's classrooms, dormitories, cafeteria, and their event hall for the graduation banquet. Holding the seminar within a few hundred feet of our headquarters was ideal for our students and instructors as well as convenient for the ANA staff as well for many years.

When Covid19 was declared a pandemic in March 2020, Colorado College closed all activities. With it, our Summer Seminar program for June/July 2020 was also cancelled. With the Colorado College and the State's restrictions our ANA Headquarters has also been closed with nearly all routine staff work being conducted remotely from home for the last ten months.

We as a board made the decision not to hold our National Money Show planned for March 2021 in Phoenix due to the safety of the staff, attendees, and exhibitors. Furthermore, in the same motion we canceled the National Money Show from being rescheduled any month for the remainder of 2021.

We are now we are faced as to conduct or cancel our Summer Seminar.

Colorado College announced that they plan to keep the College closed during their 2020-2021 year. This includes our Summer Seminar as well. Millions of school children and most colleges are remote learning and may have created a paradigm in education.

Although alternate locations have been considered and all these plans have covid19 risks to our students, instructors, and staff. Even with the vaccines that may be available to the public, the willingness for all to take vaccines is doubtful. It only takes one person to turn our Summer Seminar into a "Super Spreader" event. What is our response should a student, instructor or staff test positive with the virus during Summer Seminar? Likely the entire program will be placed in quarantine.

If we proceed to hold Summer Seminar in this environment it could have a chilling effect on the participation of many of our students and instructors. If we conduct a scaled down version which is likely, it would be held at an enormous cost for our attendees, even with a portion of the increased costs being paid by our general membership. All would require to further drain our investments.

A better use of valuable ANA funds might be to devote 2021 to improve a better on-line education program that can be offered in the future to a wider audience of thousands of hobbyists rather than a couple of hundred and it might cost only a fraction of the cost to further our mission.

4. Financial Report [10 minutes] – Treasurer Larry Baber & CFO Brent Howe

5. Appointment of Hall of Fame Elector Panels [5 minutes] – Governor Clifford Mishler

Per the Hall of Fame By-Laws, Section IV: The Board of Governors shall appoint, upon the recommendations of the Council, and maintain two panels of members to be known as Electors of the Numismatic Hall of Fame. The Electors will cast votes that elect the candidates as set forth in the Election Procedures.

MOTION by Governor Mishler, second by _____ to appoint members to the Historic and Modern Era elector panels for 2021-2024, as recommended by the Hall of Fame Council.

6. Removal of Naming from the Distinguished Service Award [5 minutes] – Awards Committee Chair Sandy Pearl

MOTION by Governor Schmidt, second by Governor Eymery to honor the wishes of the past Farran Zerbe winners who presented a signed letter to the board to remove his name from the award, that the Zerbe name be removed after the 2021 presentation with the award's new name being the Distinguished Service Award until such time as the name of an exemplary, deceased member of the ANA and numismatic community be

brought forward to the board, after vetting by the Awards Committee, for consideration of formal approval with proper funding arrangements for such naming rights.

Notes:

The goal of this motion is to pave the way for the award to be renamed in someone's honor, but in order to respect previous board motions, we would like to ensure that the so-named person is deceased.

We also feel that the awards committee should decide together who the appropriate person is for the award. The awards committee should find a new person in a timely fashion, and once the name is decided, we can try to secure funding.

Background:

The letter submitted to the board by past Zerbe winners that gives insight into why the award should be renamed. This was sent as an email on June 22, 2020

7. Discussion of Staffing Options for Museum Cataloging [5 minutes] – Governor Greg Lyon, Museum/Library Committee Member

MOTION by Governor Lyon, second by _____ to approve museum staffing option # _____ in order to expedite cataloging of the museum collection as approved by the Board during the September 15, 2020 meeting (*20200915, OS Agenda Item 5b*).

Reference:

Agenda Item #5B. (200915 OS #5) MOTION by Greg Lyon, second by Ralph Ross to direct the ANA Executive Director to complete a thorough cataloging of the approximately 90,000 uncatalogued pieces from the core collection of the ANA Museum, in preparation for an audit at a future date. This will require attribution, data entry and photography of each object. The Board of Governors will ensure sufficient funding for paid staffing at the current level to continue this on-going project with no predetermined end date. Volunteers can be used at the discretion of the Executive Director and director of the museum. If the Board of Governors wishes to expedite the completion of the inventory, the purchase of additional photography equipment and the addition of up to two staff should be supported and financed through Ben E. Keith funds.

Vote Passed: 6-2-0 (For Vice President Ross, Governors Ellis, Eymery, Oberth, Lyon, and Mishler; Against President Ellsworth, Governor Garrett) (1 absent Governor Schmidt)

Table	Staffing Plan	Data Entry Resources	Time To Complete Data Entry	Photography Resources	Time To Complete Photography	Additional Cost Per Year
Baseline	Current staffing, losing P/T data entry resource in January for deaccession sales	Current minus 1 P/T	7 years	Current (1 F/T at 50%)	5 years	\$0
Option 1	Current staffing, replacing P/T data entry resource	1 P/T @ 70%	4 years	Current (1 F/T at 50%)	5 years	\$18,928
Option 2 (Opt. 1, plus photographer)	Option 1, adding part time photographer	1 P/T @ 70%	4 years	Current (1 @ 50%) + 1 P/T @ 70%	2.5 years	\$37,856 (+\$5,333 for photo station)
Option 3 (Opt. 2, plus 1 part-time data entry staff)	Option 2, adding additional P/T data entry response	2 P/T @ 70%	3 years	Current (1 @ 50%) + 1 P/T @ 70%	2.5 years	\$56,784 (+\$5,333 for photo station)

8. Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule – President COL Steven Ellsworth, ret.

The next Board videoconference is set for Friday, February 19, 2021 at 9:00am MT/ 10:00am CT/ 11:00am ET.