



# NIAGARA FRONTIER REGIONAL CAMERA CLUBS

AM-CENTER CAMERA CLUB, AMHERST, NY  
CANYON CAMERA CLUB, PERRY, NY  
ERIE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB, ERIE, PA  
ST. CATHARINES PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB, ST. CATHARINES, ONT.  
SOUTHTOWNS CAMERA CLUB, HAMBURG, NY  
TWIN TIER CAMERA CLUB, OLEAN, NY

BATAVIA PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB, BATAVIA, NY  
NIAGARA FALLS CAMERA CLUB, NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.  
HAMILTON CAMERA CLUB, HAMILTON, ONT.  
SCIENCE MUSEUM CAMERA CLUB, BUFFALO, NY  
TWIN CITIES CAMERA CLUB, TONAWANDA, NY  
WELLAND CAMERA CLUB, WELLAND, ONT.

## Minutes of the Board of Directors April 10, 2011 Niagara Falls Conference Center Niagara Falls, New York

**Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 1:47 pm

### 1. Attendance

#### In attendance were Executive Board Members:

President	Stan Sammy
Vice President	Karl Miller
Secretary	Deanne Cunningham
US Treasurer	Chuck Vallone
Canadian Treasurer	Leslie Khan
Past President	Larry Stevenson (absent)

#### Clubs were represented as follows:

AM CENTER	Moragh Stroud
BATAVIA	Tim Dusen
CANYON	Joan Schumaker
ERIE	Patty Raydo
HAMILTON	Rob Thorne
NIAGARA FALLS	(Les Khan by default)
ST. CATHARINES	Victor Ens
SCIENCE MUSEUM	Mary Lou Frost
SOUTH TOWNS	Tom Smith
TWIN CITIES	Bob VanHise
TWIN TIER	Vic Ozogar
WELLAND	Tom Linton

#### **OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Carol Weber (Canyon)  
Larry Brown (Erie)  
Don Smith (Am-Center))

**2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF Feb. 13, 2011 MINUTES :** There was unanimous approval of the Feb. 13, 2011 Minutes, with a motion by Mary Lou Frost and a second by Moragh Stroud

**3. CANADIAN TREASURER'S REPORT by Leslie Khan.** Distribution and discussion of the Canadian Treasurer's Report dated 4/10/ 2011. The report indicated a balance of \$ 10,252.34, as of 4/10/2011.

**4. AMERICAN TREASURER'S REPORT by Chuck Vallone.** Distribution and discussion of the U.S. Treasurer's Report dated 4/9/11. The report indicated a balance of \$ 6,215.70, as of 4/9/2011.

- Upon a motion by Tom Linton and a second by Joan Schumaker, the Treasurers' reports were unanimously approved.

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (Old Business):**

- Update by Chuck Vallone regarding legal status, non-profit status, and IRS filing (Chuck Vallone, working with Doug Hansgate and Joan Schumaker) Paperwork has been submitted for non-profit status, but is still in the works, and has held up the IRS filing.
- Update regarding insurance status (Chuck Vallone, working with Doug Hansgate and Joan Schumaker). On hold until paperwork comes through.
- Proposals regarding plagiarism which were introduced at the last meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept them by Karl Miller. Second by Mary Lou Frost. Approved.
- Progress report from Constitution Reform Committee (Doug Hansgate, Patty Raydo, Chris Empey, and Tom Linton)
  - Tom presented each of ten motions separately. Each motion was seconded by Patty Raydo, and a vote was taken as to whether to accept the motion for presentation at each club. A formal vote on the accepted motions will be taken in September.
  - It was noted that further revisions need to be made in order to correct errors and eliminate duplication.
  - The motions (in their revised, amended or corrected forms) are attached to this document.
    - Motion #1 Defeated
    - Motion #2 Accepted
    - Motion #3 Accepted
    - Motion #4 Accepted
    - Motion #5 Accepted
    - Motion #6 Defeated
    - Motion #7 Defeated
    - Motion #8 Accepted in principle
    - Motion #9 Accepted
    - Motion #10 Accepted (A somewhat amended version of the resolutions on plagiarism adopted earlier)
- Committee formed in May of 2010 to put together a guidebook for procedures and a time line for future conventions: Dee Cunningham, Patty Raydo, Chuck Vallone , Mary Lou Frost, Anne McCooey, Larry Stevenson, and Randy Zack were on the original committee. (The secretary inadvertently left her own name out of the minutes). At this point, Dee, Mary Lou, and Patty have been working on this, while preparing for the 2011 convention. They will

continue to work together to put together guidelines and templates of documents, to be accompanied by a CD with digital files

**6. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Application for grant money from Erie Photography Club (approved)

**8. CONVENTION REPORT --- Mary Lou Frost and Patty Raydo**

- Patty presented information regarding the budgetary considerations
- Question as to whether the CAPA judging is worth the \$1100 cost
- A detailed overview of surveys was distributed and reviewed.
- Chuck Vallone commented on the financial aspects...although there was a net loss of \$4,755.89...the attendance approached 270...and the event was very successful.

**9. WEBSITE --- Chris Empey (not present)**

**10. INTERCLUB DIGITAL SLIDE REPORT --- Chris Empey (not present)**

**11. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Set up meeting dates for 2011-2012 (see below)
- Program Guide will be done by Mary Lou. Send her the information as to officers and meeting places and awards as soon as possible. Send Program schedule afterwards, whenever it is available. Mid-July is the submission date.
- George Butt Trophy Replacement--- Karl Miller  
Karl has been unable to locate replacement parts
- Report on progress for Fall Seminar -- Karl Miller  
Nothing new. Time and place are set...Tim Grey 90% sure
- Report on progress for Convention 2012 --- by Patty Raydo  
Nancy Rotenberg, Brenda Tharp, Paul Capinegro have been enlisted as speakers so far.

**12. CLUB NEWS:**

Erie is bringing a CAPA course to Erie on August 13

**13. NEXT MEETING:**

- The calendar is set for the 2011-2012 season.

GENERAL MEETING---September 18, 2011

PRE-SEMINAR MEETING --- Nov.6, 2011

**Seminar: Nov. 19, 2011**

GENERAL MEETING --- Jan. 22, 2012

PRE-CONVENTION MEETING --- March 4, 2012

**Convention: March 17-19, 2012**

FINAL MEETING --- April 22, 2012

**14. ADJOURNMENT:** By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Deanne D. Cunningham