



NIAGARA FRONTIER REGIONAL CAMERA CLUBS

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

BATAVIA PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB, BATAVIA, NY
CANYON CAMERA CLUB, PERRY, NY
GENESEE VALLEY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY, GENESEO, NY
NIAGARA FALLS CAMERA CLUB, NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.
SCIENCE MUSEUM CAMERA CLUB, BUFFALO, NY
TWIN CITIES CAMERA CLUB, TONAWANDA, NY
WELLAND CAMERA CLUB, WELLAND, ONT.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 11, 2015

The Buffalo Marriott Niagara, 1340 Millersport Highway
Amherst, NY, 14221-2902

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1:43 p.m. by President Joan Schumaker.

In attendance were Executive Board Members:

President	Joan Schumaker
Vice President	Rob Thorne
Secretary	Deanne Cunningham
US Treasurer	Michael Hilczmayer
Canadian Treasurer	Leslie Khan
Past President	Deanne Cunningham

Clubs were represented as follows:

AM CENTER --- Ron Storfer
BATAVIA --- Scott Neumann
CANYON --- Michael Giles
ERIE --- Unrepresented
GENESEE --- Unrepresented
HAMILTON --- Leonie Holmes
NIAGARA FALLS --- Eric Baloga
ROCHESTER --- Tom Kredo
ST. CATHARINES --- Unrepresented
SCIENCE MUSEUM --- Sharon Dentice
SOUTH TOWNS --- Manny LoPresto
TWIN CITIES --- Marty Malicki
TWIN TIER--- Matthew Brown
WELLAND --- Darren Creighton

Appointed Committee Chairs:

Webmaster: Scott Neuman
Slide Chair: Chris Empey
CANAM Expo Chair: Doug Hansgate

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Janet LoPresto --- STCC

Robert L. Klick --- Am Center

1. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF October 26, 2014 MINUTES: There was unanimous approval of the October 26, 2014 Minutes, with a motion by Ron Storfer and a second by Eric Baloga

2. REVIEW & APPROVAL OF US/CANADIAN CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORTS– Mike Hilczmayer & Leslie Khan

➤ Canadian Balance is \$10,864.91

➤ Consolidated

• Total cash balance as of 1/10/15---\$42,283.97

• Upon a motion by Mike Giles and a second by Leonie Holmes, the Treasurers' consolidated reports were unanimously approved.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (Old Business):

➤ Committee on By-Law revisions needed to comply with the New York State Nonprofit Revitalization Act of 2013 – Joan Schumaker Committee will meet before next NFRCC meeting.

➤ Report on Nov. 8, 2014 NFRCC-GTCCC Inter Region Competition – Doug Hansgate

• NFRCC lost competition, but it was a success.

• Next year will be in Toronto

➤ Postponement of 2014 Fall Seminar with Mark Bowie to Feb.14, 2015

• Report on Registration – Janet LoPresto

▪ 155 registered attendees

• Advertising/Promotion is necessary --- contact Patty Raydo

• Question arose as to the postponement as versus other options, as well as having an effect on the Expo attendance

• Review of arrangements – Michael's, speaker, projector/screen, door prize? Everything is set.

4. CORRESPONDENCE:

➤ Nov. 12, 2014 request from Port Colborne Camera Club, Port Colborne, Ontario, to join the NFRCC

• Motion made by Ron Storfer to accept Port Colborne into the NFRCC. Seconded by Chris Empey

• Motion passed

• Nov. 24, 2014 request from Port Camera Club, Lockport, NY, to join the NFRCC

• Motion to accept Port CC into the NFRCC by Ron Storfer. Seconded by Leonie Holmes.

• Motion passed

• Suggestion by Janet LoPresto that we have an official form for prospective clubs to fill out, so that we have relevant information for consideration for membership. Joan will draft a form.

• Need to update info on Meetup group...Janet will do that.

5. 2015 CAN-AM PHOTO EXPO (March 20-22) REPORT --- Doug Hansgate

• Presenters & Schedule

• Doug passed out a list of speakers/presenters and spoke about their subjects and backgrounds.

- Friday night keynote speaker will be Rick Sammon (sponsored by Canon). Policy will be that this program is open to the public.
- Saturday night keynote speaker will be Bobbi Lane (sponsored by Fuji)
- Question as to whether to run a raffle or charge table fees to vendors. Decision still needs to be made
- Expo & Marriott Registrations --- \$149 for NFRCC members, \$179 for non-members, \$99 day fee for Expo , \$129 for hotel. Registration will be open by mid-month.
- Advertising/promotion --- email blasts will be predominant method of promotion
- Assess needs for Expo: trophies, ribbons, etc...
 - Need to know ribbon needs
 - Trophy orders will be sent to Joan to avoid border difficulties

6. WEBSITE REPORT --- Scott Neumann

- Status of updating 2014 information on website: Updating is imminent

7. INTERCLUB DIGITAL SLIDE COMPETITION REPORT --- Chris Empey

- Reminder to send Chris a list of all competing members in projected images for your club. This was to have been done by January 1

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- Collection of Trophies – Joan will keep the trophies
- Plans for 2015 NFRCC-GTCCC Inter Region Competition – Committee needed
- Nominating Committee Report for 2015-16 Slate of Officers -- Michael Carney, Doug Hansgate, Chris Empey, Eric Baloga
 - **Need a nominee for Vice President**
 - **Need someone for Interclub digital competition chair**
- Motion by Tom Kredo that for the purposes of Golden horseshoe competition, clubs submit names of all competing members in image competitions to the interclub competition chair by January 1. Second by Chris Empey. Motion passed.
- Motion by Manny LoPresto that each club submit a club membership roster to the Print Competition Chairman by January 1. Modification to the George Butt standing rules. Second by Mike Hilczmayer. Motion passed.
- Motion by Chris Empey that in addition to presenting written information for Kodak Nominees, clubs may submit up to eight images, sized up to 1200x 1800 pixels. Second by Rob Thorne. Motion passed.
- The above changes will take effect for the 2015-16 year
- Discussion of projection limitations and possible changes.

9. CLUB NEWS:

- Southtowns article was on front page of the Orchard Park Bee
- Article on Darren Creighton in Today(Niagara on the Lake edition)

10. NEXT MEETING: Feb. 15, 2014

- Remaining meeting dates for 2014-2015:
April 26, 2014

11. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ron Storfer. Seconded by Rob Thorne. By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Deanne D. Cunningham