



NIAGARA FRONTIER REGIONAL CAMERA CLUBS

AM-CENTER CAMERA CLUB, AMHERST, NY
 CAMERA ROCHESTER, ROCHESTER, NY
 ERIE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB, ERIE, PA
 GENESEE VALLEY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY, GENESEO, NY
 LATOW PHOTOGRAPHERS GUILD, BURLINGTON, ON
 PORT COLBORNE CAMERA CLUB, PORT COLBORNE, ON
 ST. CATHARINES PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB, ST. CATHARINES, ON
 TWIN CITIES CAMERA CLUB, TONAWANDA, NY
 WELLAND CAMERA CLUB, WELLAND, ON

BATAVIA PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB, BATAVIA, NY
 CANYON CAMERA CLUB, PERRY, NY
 FINGER LAKES PHOTOGRAPHY GUILD
 HAMILTON CAMERA CLUB, HAMILTON, ON
 NIAGARA FALLS CAMERA CLUB, NIAGARA FALLS, ON
 SCIENCE MUSEUM CAMERA CLUB, BUFFALO, NY
 SOUTHTOWNS CAMERA CLUB, HAMBURG, NY
 TWIN TIER CAMERA CLUB, OLEAN, NY

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 27th, 2017

1:30 PM @ Central Park United Methodist Church, 216 Beard Ave, Buffalo, NY

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1:42p.m. by President Joan Schumaker.

In attendance were Executive Board Members:

President	Joan Schumaker	US Treasurer	Michael Hilczmayer
Vice President	Mike Dziak	Canadian Treasurer	Larry Mathewson
Secretary	Sharon Dentice	Past President	Dee Cunningham

Clubs were represented as follows:

AM CENTER	Claire Kaymon	LATOW	David Low
BATAVIA	Absent	NIAGARA FALLS	Absent
CAMERA ROCHESTER	Dave Braitsch	PORT COLBORNE	Absent
CANYON	Barb Kubiak	ST. CATHARINES	Absent
ERIE	Patty Rado	SCIENCE MUSEUM	Mary Lou Frost
FINGER LAKES	Absent	SIOUTH TOWNS	Janet Lo Presto
GENESEE VALLEY	Absent	TWIN TIER	Absent
HAMILTON	Leonie Holmes	TWIN CITIES	Absent
WELLAND	Susan Dayboll		

Appointed Committee Chairs		Other Attendees	
Webmaster	VACANT	Rob Thorne-Hamilton	Andrzej (NJ) Pradzynski -
Slide Chair	Absent	Larry Brown-Erie	Latow
CAN AM Expo	Absent	Manny LoPresto-STCC	

- **PREVIEW AND APPROVAL of June 4th, 2017, MINUTES:** There was unanimous approval of the June 4th Minutes, with a motion by Barb Kubiak and a second by Janet LoPresto
- **REVIEW & APPROVAL OF US/CANADIAN CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORTS for June 30th 2017**
Mike Hilczmayer & Larry Mathewson.
 - ❖ Canadian cash balance as of 5/31/17 --- \$6,156.95 /GIC Account Balance
\$13,378.33 consolidated
 - ❖ Total cash balance as of 5/31/17---\$36,793.80 (US Dollars)

- ❖ Upon a motion by Dee Cunningham and a second by Mary Lou Frost, the Treasurers' consolidated reports were unanimously approved.

➤ **Old Business:**

- ❖ Committee on By-Law revisions needed to comply with the New York State nonprofit Revitalization – Act of 2013 – Joan Schumaker (on Hold)
- ❖ **Still need to identify a NFRCC Historian** – Records are available, need a VOLUNTEER, please check with your club members for a VOLUNTEER.

➤ **Correspondence:**

- ❖ Letter from Hannah Cattarin on the Documentation of Skywriting Project taking place on Aug. 19 over the Niagara River and greater Buffalo (This was sent to all NFRCC clubs.)
- ❖ Invitation from Maureen Tucker inviting people to a Vintage Camera Show on October 22, 2017 in London Ontario. (This was sent to all NFRCC clubs.)
- ❖ Email from Bart Barton on Special Kinzua Bridge Photo OP taking place on Aug. 18 and again on Sept. 22 and Oct. 20. (This was sent to all NFRCC clubs.)
- ❖ 10% discount offer from 500PX for NFRCC members. Sharon will report.
<https://500px.com/>

➤ **2018 CanAm Photo Expo Report- Doug Hansgate & Committee**

The Board would like a POSTER available for the distribution at the Fall seminar.

- ❖ Committee has been working on a new website and marketing plan for 2018 Expo.

Canadian club support is EXTREMELY important

We need volunteers in Canada to help promote the Expo within their clubs and Photographic community. The new venue opens many opportunities for Field trips and Family fun in Niagara Falls.

➤ **2017 Fall Seminar Bill Fortney– Mike Dziak,**

- ❖ Seminar will be held at Michaels Banquet facility in Hamburg, NY. Date: Saturday Oct 14, 2017. 75.00 includes lunch. Canadian clubs send a check to Janet LoPresto for 75.00 in Canadian funds. Janet LoPresto, 5584 Country Club Lane, Hamburg, NY 14075
- ❖ If CA members register online they will pay the PayPal exchange rate. Janet will give the CA checks to Larry Mathewson to be deposited into the Canadian bank account.
- ❖ Fujifilm is sponsoring 25% of Bill's fee and expenses. We have already started getting reservations. A poster was handed out at the meeting. All clubs should begin promoting the Seminar As soon as their meetings start. The poster is attached to this email.

➤ **2017 NFRCC-GTCCC Inter Region Competition in Toronto – **Nov, 11 2017 Confirmed****

- ❖ Joan is waiting for Harvey to get back to her with a date and competition categories and rules.
- ❖ This will now be a Projected Image only competition. NO PRINTS.

❖ GTCCC/NFRCC committee for 2017 will be Patty Raydo as Chair and Mary Lou Frost as Co-Chair. Manny LoPresto will be a helper.

❖ **Website Report** We need a new webmaster. Please ask your club members if anyone is willing to be our webmaster. Let Joan know if you have an volunteers. Doug Hansgate is looking into a new web hosting service and platform.

- Interclub digital slide competitions – Andrea Burke
 - ❖ Absent

NFRCC Dues: Clubs should send a check for 20.00 to:

US: Mike Hilczmayer
509 Central Avenue, Lancaster, NY 14086

CA: Larry Mathewson
92 Rochelle Crescent, Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada, L0S 1N0

- New Business

❖ 2017-18 NFRCC Program Guide – Mary Lou Frost

Mary Lou passed out 2017-2018 Program Booklets to every club that had a rep at the meeting. If you did not get your books contact Mary Lou: mlfrost@verizon.net

Preparing the NFRCC Program booklet has become an unmanageable task. In part because of the growth of the NFRCC and Clubs not providing the information by the deadline. It is the responsibility of every club to provide this information by the requested due date. These books are used by all clubs and the Board to get information on member clubs and programs.

❖ The Program Book Editor will continue to provide every club with an MS WORD document that contains the NFRCC Bookley pages for their club. This document can be used every year to update the required information for the current year booklet.

Motion made by Mary Lou Frost:

❖ Each club must assign 1 person to be responsible for getting this information to The Program Book Editor by the July 1st due-date. Minor updates will be accepted after July 1st but the majority of the information must be given to The Program Book Editor by July 1st. Clubs should start planning their programs for the next year prior to the end of the current year meetings.

❖ Club competition chairs: McKellar, Golden Horseshoe, Can Am Print and Projected image salons should send the current year results to the Program Book Editor by July 1st.

❖ The President will provide the “Presidents Message”. If there have been any rule changes the President is responsible for sending them to the Program Book Editor for booklet update. Banquet awards should be forwarded to the Program Book Editor immediately after the award banquet.

Motion to accept made by Dave Braitsch. Seconded by Mike Hilczmayer.
All in favor, 12 yes and 0 No votes, **Motion passed**

- ❖ Gallery 96, 604 Pittsford Victor Road, Pittsford NY 14534, located in Bushnell's Basin on the canal. NFRCC Print Show "Winning Images" Joan picked up all the prints to be delivered to Gallery 96. The show runs from 8/30-10/13. The reception is September 8th, 6-8:30PM
- ❖ Reminder: Nominating committee to present slate of 2018-19 NFRCC Officers in January 2018.
Committee members are:
Mary Lou Frost and Janet Lo Presto-US
Andy Glavic and Leonie Holmes-CA

➤ Other Business:

Discussion on the meaning of a "Competing Member" as this pertains to submissions to McKellar or Golden Horseshoe competition for members who do not compete in monthly club competitions. Joan will research this topic and see how the Constitution is written, Joan will clarify this rule.

Club Membership lists:

February 1, 2018 – Deadline for club submission of list of all members (include * for those members competing in McKellar and club projected or print 2017-18 competitions) to Sharon Dentice and Andrea Burke. This list will serve for CanAm discounts and eligibility for member participation in Golden Horseshoe. Names may be added to this list for new members joining after the February 1 date to be eligible for Can Am discount.

➤ Club News

- ❖ Erie Photography Club will have Mike Moats for their Fall Seminar. **Date is Nov 4th 2017**

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Dee Cunningham, Seconded by Leonie Holmes
By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Dentice
NFRCC Recording Secretary
sdentice@earthlink.net

NFRCC 2017-18 Calendar

2017-18 NFRCC Board Meetings at 1:30 PM - Location to be determined

August 27, 2017 - Board Meeting

Aug. 30 – Oct. 14. 2017 Gallery 96 NFRCC Print Show

October 1, 2017 - Board Meeting

Fall Seminar – October 14, 2017 - Presenter: Bill Fortney – Michael’s, Hamburg, NY

**November 11, 2017 - NFRCC-GTCCC Inter Region Competition -
GTCCC is Hosting – Toronto Camera Club building**

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January 28, 2018 - Board Meeting

March 18, 2018 - Board Meeting

April 27, 28 & 29, 2018 Can Am Photo Expo – Sheraton on the Falls

5875 Falls Ave, Niagara Falls CA L2G3K7

May 20, 2018 – Board Meeting

July 1, 2018 - Deadline for 2018-19 Program Guide Info sent to:

Mary Lou Frost at mfrost@verizon.net

REGIONAL COMPETITION SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATES:

MCKELLAR COMPETITIONS - See details in the 2017-18 Program Guide

Month of Competition Submission Deadline

October September 24, 2017

November October 29, 2017

December November 26, 2017

January January 7, 2018

April 8, 2018 - Golden Horseshoe Competition deadline for submissions

Note: Any member identified as competing on the January list may submit images for the Golden Horseshoe. See details in the 2017-18 Program Guide

2017 - 2018 NFRCC Meetings: Agenda Items

8-27-17 --- General

- ❖ Dues
- ❖ Kodak Nominations are due in November
- ❖ Program Guides
- ❖ Report on Fall Seminar

Note: Nominations for the Stork/Bertuca/Sharpe awards are due at the next meeting – See details below.

10-1-17 ---

- ❖ Each regional club entitled to submit one name for
- ❖ Stork/Bertuca/Sharpe awards accompanied by a brief listing of the nominee's contributions to the NFRCC and member club(s)
- ❖ Set up committee for Kodak Award Selection (2 US, 2CDN, plus NFRCC Pres. To act as chair)
- ❖ Final preparations for Fall Seminar Advise that trophies be brought to Jan. meeting

1-28-18 ---

- ❖ Vote on Stork/Bertuca/Sharpe Awards (two scrutineers---one from the executive and one club rep)
- ❖ Kodak Award Committee meets
- ❖ Nominating committee presents slate for 2018-19 NFRCC
- ❖ Officers to be taken back to member clubs
- ❖ Trophies returned, Assess needs for CanAm Photo Expo: trophies, ribbons, etc.

3-18-18 ---

- ❖ Trophies, ribbons, etc. --- last-minute needs
- ❖ CanAm Photo Expo preparation
- ❖ Election of 2018-19 officers

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- ❖ CanAm Photo Expo wrap-up
- ❖ Needs for next year.
- ❖ Who will do the program guide?
- ❖ Report on Fall Seminar arrangements
- ❖ Select nominating committee for 2019-20 NFRCC Officers. (four persons with equal representation from both countries) to present slate in Jan.
- ❖ Set up dates for meetings for 2018-19