THE NORTHWEST COIN CLUB

Newsletter – June 2021



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The **June Meeting** of the Northwest Coin Club will be conducted on Zoom at 7:00 P.M. CST on Thursday, June 10, 2021. The Zoom invitation is expected to go out on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. Watch for that invitation.

June Election

The annual election of club officers will take place during the June meeting. At the May meeting, the following nominations were made.

President - George Ross Vice President - Marty Schirber Treasurer - Phil Zietlow

There has been no nomination for club secretary and no volunteer to assume the position. Nominations will be re-opened at the June meeting before the election.

The Constitution

At the May meeting, there was a question about the Constitution of the club and the availability to club members. The current Constitution took effect on January 1, 1992, and was published as a paper document at that time. An image of that document has been in the club archives and has been available to club officers. However, it was not in a digital form that could be included in the club newsletter.

Since the May meeting, the Constitution has been transcribed into a Word document. It is presented below and may still include typographical errors.

If there have been amendments made since 1992, they have not been recorded with a copy of the Constitution. The club Historian has begun to review available minutes of club meetings looking for such amendments. If found, the digital copy will be revised.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTHWEST COIN CLUB

ARTICLE I.

NAME AND PURPOSE

- Section 1: The name of the organization shall be the Northwest Coin Club.
- Section 2: The general purpose and object of this organization shall be to provide an opportunity for its members to study, exchange and exhibit coins; to promote fellowship among collectors and dealers; to encourage the collection of coins; to disseminate information to the members.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP, DUES

- Section 1: Membership in the organization shall be granted to those who submit a membership application and pay one year's dues. Confirmation shall require a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members present at any regularly scheduled meeting.
- Section 2: Honorary membership may be conferred by the organization upon persons of distinction by unanimous vote of those present, at any regular meeting, providing the name to be voted upon has been presented at a previous regular meeting.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS

- Section 1: The elected officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- Section 2: Officer shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting. All officers shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified.
- Section 3: The Executive Board shall be composed of the four elected officers. They shall manage the business of the organization between regular business meetings.

ARTICLE IV.

AMENDMENTS

Section 1: These articles may be altered or amended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of all present and voting, providing the alteration or amendment shall have been submitted in writing at a previous regular meeting.

ARTICLE V.

BY-LAWS

Section 1: The organization may adopt By-Laws to promote the objectives and proper conduct of the organization. Such By-Laws may be adopted at any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for that purpose.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1.

DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

- Section 1: The duties of officers shall be those required by general usage of Parliamentary law.

 The President shall preside at all meetings, appoint committees and fill vacancies.
- Section 2: The Vice-President shall serve as acting President in the absence of the President.
- Section 3: The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings and report same at the next meeting. He shall keep on file all correspondence and shall write letters whenever directed to do so.
- Section 4. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and shall receive and disperse the same. He shall pay bills by order of the organization. He shall make a report at each meeting and a final report at the annual meeting.
- Section 5. All books, papers, vouchers and other property of the organization shall be turned over by retiring officers to their successors at the expiration of their term of office.

ARTICLE II.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

- Section 1: The President may appoint members to temporary positions of responsibility in the organization. Such appointments shall expire with the term of the president.
- Section 2: Appointed officers may serve on the executive board and may be allowed to vote on actions of the executive board.
- Section 3. Appointments of temporary officers shall be confirmed by a majority vote at any regular business meeting.
- Section 4. Appointments to temporary offices may be made for such positions as historian, librarian, newsletter editor, or show committee chairman but may not be limited to only those titles listed.

ARTICLE III.

COMMITTEES

Section 1: The President may appoint standing committees. Such committees shall serve for the duration of the term of the president.

ARTICLE IV.

ELECTION, QUORUM, MEETINGS

- Section 1: Election of officers shall be by ballot. A majority vote of those present and voting shall elect. Nominations shall be made at the May meeting and at the June meeting prior to the election. The election shall be at the June meeting. The election shall be conducted by secret ballot, Officers shall assume office at the July meeting.
- Section 2: Regular meetings shall be held each month at a time and place to be determined by the executive committee. Special meetings may be called by the president without request or upon the request of three or more members.
- Section 3: Those eligible to vote must be members in good standing.
- Section 4: Ten members shall be a quorum of the organization. Three members shall be a quorum of the executive board.

ARTICLE V.

MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1: Membership to this organization may be granted to anyone who submits a membership application and who shall be confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the members.
- Section 2: Dues are due and payable on January 1st of each year. If not paid by March of the current year, the member shall be automatically suspended after due notice by the secretary.
- Section 3: Any member or members desiring to prefer charges against any other member shall submit such charges in writing to the Executive Board, who shall have the power to act. The member against whom the charges are made shall have the opportunity to be heard in his own defense before the Executive Board previous to any action taken by that body.

ARTICLE VI.

OFFICIAL EMBLEM

Section 1: The Norse American Medal shall be the official emblem of the organization.

ARTICLE VIII.

RULES OF ORDER

Section 1: Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceeding of this organization.

ARTICLE VIII.

AMENDMENTS

Section 1: These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting; provided notice has been given at a previous meeting.

ARTICLE IX.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Section 1: These By-Laws, as revised, shall take effect January 1, 1992 and shall supersede all previous By-Laws adopt