

NORTH AMERICAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
OCTOBER 27 and 28, 1972
Minutes of the 6th Annual Membership Meeting

The sixth Annual Membership Meeting of the North American Vexillological Association was opened in the Tally-Ho Room of the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel in Chicago, Illinois on Sunday, October 28, at 11:00 a. m., with Dr. Whitney Smith presiding.

Members present were:

Ashley Talbot
Gerhard Grahl
Whitney Smith
William Spangler
Michael Tancey
Charles E. Brannon
Harry F. Manogg

Esther A. Bundy
Florence Hutchison
Robert Gauron
Jack Lingo
George Cahill
Newton Blakeslee
Kenneth Huff

O. B. Brockmeyer
Robert Van Gundy
William Diggins
Lawrence P. Tower
John J. Christiansen
John Purcell

Guests Present were:

Claire Spangler
Wilma Tancey

Gail Lingo
Maysel Gauron

Barbara Huff

Minutes of the October 23, 1971 Annual Membership Meeting were read by the Recording Secretary and were approved by general consent.

The following reports were tendered to the Association and are enclosed in the record:

The President and Executive Board: Dr. Whitney Smith
Treasurer's Report: Gary Grahl
Corresponding Secretary's Report: John Szala

Report of Special Committee: At this point of the meeting Mr. John Szala assumed the chair because of Dr. Smith's involvement in the special committee's report on the Rhode Island and Bunker Hill flags. Mr. William C. Diggins, chairman of the committee, reported that the findings of the committee were that the stars of the Rhode Island flag were originally gilt (the vote of the committee was two out of three). There was considerable discussion between Messrs. Tower, Cahill, and Smith concerning the committee's findings. It was decided that the report was still open and would be further investigated and reported at the next meeting.

At this point Dr. Smith resumed the chair.

The following new business was transacted by the membership:

Seventh Annual Meeting: On a motion by Gary Grahl, seconded by George Cahill, the next MEETING would be in the Philadelphia Area. The motion was carried. Bill Spangler motioned that the meeting be held in late October or early November which was seconded by John Purcell. After some discussion the motion was carried. The date was to be set by the executive board within the next few weeks to aid the arrangements committee.

The appointment of a delegate or delegates to the 5th International Congress of Vexillology in London, England, September 14-18, 1973: George Cahill motioned that the Directors be authorized to appoint NAVA's official representative to the 1973 International Congress with the provision that the representative so selected be casting only NAVA's vote in the meeting in the International Congress. The motion was seconded by Bob Gauron and carried.

Charter flight to the International Congress: Dr. Smith motioned that a committee be formed to investigate and determine if arrangements could be made for a tour or charter flight to the International Congress in London. The motion was seconded by Harry Manogg and carried.

Speakers at Annual Meetings: Bob Gauron motioned that the arrangement committees, for future meetings, consider outside speakers for banquet or dinner functions with the approval of the Executive Board. The motion was seconded by Oscar Brockmeyer and carried.

Hosts for the Fifth Annual Meeting: It was agreed by general consent that a vote of thanks should be made to Bob and Haysel Gauron, Harry Manogg, and Barbara and Ken Huff for their hospitality during the sixth NAVA meeting.

Honorary Membership: The Executive Board motioned that Vice Admiral John Furlong be conferred an Honorary Membership in NAVA which was seconded by Jack Lingo. After considerable discussion an amendment to the motion was made by Bob Gauron that the Executive Board send out a ballot including background information about Vice Admiral Furlong to the membership. The motion was seconded by Harry Manogg.

Guide Line Sheet for Honorary Membership: John Szala motioned that the Executive Board prepare a Guide Line Sheet for conferring Honorary Membership for perusal and vote of the members. The motion was seconded by George Cahill and carried.

7th International Congress of Vexillology: The Executive Board motioned that NAVA be a sponsor of the 7th International Congress of Vexillology in 1977. It was seconded by Mr. Brockmeyer. An amendment to the motion by Mr. Cahill, was that NAVA be the principal sponsor was seconded again by Mr. Brockmeyer and carried.

Bunker Hill Flag: Mr. Driggins motioned that the Bunker Hill flag report, under the special committee report be tabled till the next NAVA meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Cahill and carried.

Election of Officers: The Nominating Committee of Messrs. Blakeslee, Driggins, and Tower presented the slate of officers for 1972-73 as follows:

President - Dr. Whitney Smith
Vice President - Harold Diceman
Corresponding Secretary - John Szala
Recording Secretary - Kenneth Huff
Treasurer - Gerhard Grahl

On the motion of Robert Gauron and seconded by George Cahill the secretary was directed to cast one vote for the election of the slate nominated.

Nominating Committee: Mr. Brockmeyer motioned that the nominating committee for next year be the same as the previous year. It was seconded by Florence Hutchison. The committee shall consist of Messrs. Blakeslee, Tower, and Driggins.

On a motion by Gary Grahl, seconded by John Purcell the sixth Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

NORTH AMERICAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy, consisting of
2 pages(s), as taken from the original on file in this office.

Charles J. Hine
Recording Secretary

Date 15 July 93

