

American Numismatic Association

Board of Governors

Meeting Minutes Draft for Review/Approval

Regular Meeting Teleconference

Open Session

July 17, 2018

(Note: Agenda item text is highlighted in gray)

Call to Order – President Gary Adkins

Meeting was called to order at 4:35 PM MDT.

Roll Call – Secretary Sanford Pearl

Board Present: President Gary Adkins, Vice President Dr. Donald Kagin; Governors Col. Steve Ellsworth (Ret.), Brian Hendelson, John Highfill, Greg Lyon, Paul Montgomery, Dr. Ralph Ross, Thomas Uram

Non-voting Members Present: Past President Jeff Garrett, Executive Director Kim Kiick, General Counsel Hollie Wieland, Treasurer Larry Baber, Secretary Sanford Pearl, Parliamentarian Mark Lighterman, Controller Carol Shuman, Executive Assistant Donna Nunez

A quorum of 9 governors were present

Agenda Item #1. Approval of Minutes – President Gary Adkins

(180717 OS #1) MOTION by Governor Ellsworth, second by Governor Ross to approve the Open Session minutes of the Board of Governors teleconference held June 12, 2018.

Discussion: Secretary Pearl advised that the minutes had been revised (R1) to incorporate several typographical corrections.

Vote: Passed 9-0-0

Agenda Item #2. Modifications to Mediation Fees and Appeals – President Gary Adkins and Executive Director Kim Kiick

Note: The following suggested changes have been reviewed by the Mediation and Bylaws Committees.

Policy Manual: Fees

Formal complaints: For current Association members who were members at the time of the actions complained of, the “Member Fees” rate shall be paid to the Association. For non-ANA member or for matter where the Complainant was not an ANA member at the time of the action complained of the “Non-Members Fees” rate shall be paid to the Association.

Value Allegedly Involved	Member Fee	Revised	Non-Member Fee	Revised
\$ 0 - \$1,000	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$250.00
\$1,000.01 - \$5000.00	\$150.00	\$250.00	\$300.00	\$400.00
\$5,000.01 +		\$350.00		\$500.00

For matters not involving a numismatic transaction or where no monetary value is involved, the minimum processing fee is ~~\$200.00~~ **\$300.00** for Association Members and ~~\$400.00~~ **\$500.00** for Non-Members.

Appeals (see below for appeal process): Fees for appeals shall be ~~\$50~~ **\$150.00** for members and ~~\$100~~ **\$250.00** for non-members. There shall be no cost resulting from automatic appeals from a Mediation Committee recommendation of suspension or expulsion

Policy Manual: Appeal Process

Any party to who is dissatisfied with the Mediation Committee's decision can appeal to the Association's Board of Governors. All Committee recommendations for suspension or expulsion shall automatically be submitted to the Board of Governors.

- Appeals must be sent by the appealing party to the Association within 15 days of receipt of the Mediation Committee's decision. Appeals filed after the 15 days provided for herein shall not be accepted and the Mediation Committee's decision shall be final and binding on the parties to the complaint.
- The appeal must state the specific basis for the appeal, the reason the appealing party disagrees with the Mediation Committee's decision, and the relief requested by the appealing party.
- Within 15 days of receipt of an appeal, the Association shall provide a copy of the appeal to all parties to the complaint. The appeal may be delivered by any reasonable method, provided a return receipt or other acknowledgment of receipt is obtained.
- Any non-appealing party may submit a response to the appeal within 15 days of receipt of the appeal. The response shall be provided to the Association and to all parties to the complaint. The response to the appeal may be delivered by any reasonable method, provided a return receipt or other acknowledgment of receipt is obtained.
- All materials provided as a part of the Mediation Committee's decision, as well as all appeal submissions, will be provided to the Association's Board of Governors. ~~The Board of Governors shall consider such appeals two (2) times per year at meetings held in conjunction with the Association's two (2) conventions.~~ **The Board of Governors may at its sole discretion consider or deny such appeal during a regularly scheduled board meeting.** All appeal deadlines must have been met at least 30 days prior to the **official Board of Governors meeting** ~~the opening of the Association's convention at which the case is to be considered.~~
- All parties to an appeal will be given 15 days' notice of their right to present arguments to support their position on appeal before the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors **may** ~~will~~ hear arguments only from the parties to the appeal; no additional hearings will be scheduled.
- Within 30 days of the consideration of an appeal, the Board of Governors shall render a written decision, to be delivered to the parties to the appeal by any reasonable method, provided that a return receipt or other acknowledgment of receipt is obtained.

- The Board of Governors' decision may affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the Mediation Committee and may affirm, modify or reverse any discipline imposed by the Mediation Committee, all at the sole discretion of the Board of Governors.

- The Board of Governors' decision shall be final and binding on the parties to the appeal. The parties to the complaint and the appeal shall have no further recourse with the **American Numismatic Association in regard** ~~with regard~~ to the complaint.

(180717 OS #2) MOTION by Governor Montgomery, second by Vice President Kagin to approve the modifications to the Association's Mediation Fees & Appeals as presented.

Discussion: Past President Garrett related comments from Past President Bowers.

Vote: Passed 9-0-0

Agenda Item #3. Discussion of Proposed Bylaws Change – President Gary Adkins and Governor Greg Lyon

Note: The motion below cannot be voted upon until after the proposal has gone through the formal amendment process outlined in Article XIV: Bylaws.

MOTION by Lyon, second by _____ to repeal Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph g and replace as follows:

g) Term Limits

i) No person shall be eligible for elected office, in any capacity, who has previously served as a member of the Board of Governors (including service as President and/or Vice President) for a combined total of 18 years.

ii) Total service on the Board shall, in no circumstance, exceed 20 years.

iii) For terms beginning and ending at the annual World's Fair of Money (the ANA Anniversary Convention), a "year" shall be defined as the time between two World's Fairs of Money.

iv) For terms beginning or ending on other dates, a year shall be defined as a consecutive 365 day period.

Modify Article VII, Section 1 as follows:

Section 1. Term of Office

Beginning in 2019, the President, Vice President and seven Governors shall be elected triennially, to serve a term of three years.

Reasoning:

In the last 2 of the last 4 ANA elections, there have been 8 or fewer candidates seeking election to the ANA Board. Due to a lack of competition, this may not provide members the opportunity to vote for a full Board they support. Meanwhile, some former Governors choose not to seek re-election due to work or family constraints as they cannot spend the time, money and effort to serve as ANA President or Vice-President at that point in their lives. By extending term limits, this will allow qualified Board members to serve for a longer period, subject to the wishes of membership.

The current Board term of 2 years goes by quite rapidly. After spending 6-12 months coming up to speed on duties and responsibilities, an election cycle starts again. By extending terms to 3 years, this will allow a single board a longer to serve as a cohesive unit and work toward achieving common goals.

Specific reasoning on each section being changed:

1) (Article VII, Section 1) Terms of Office are extended from 2 to 3 years to allow a Board to serve as a cohesive unit for a longer period of time.

2) (Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph g, Sub-Paragraph i) Term limits are increased from 10 to 18 years to allow board members to serve a longer period on the board. Due to the timing of 2 & 3 year terms, the best options seem to be to move to a 12, 18 or 24 term limit.

3) (Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph g, Sub-Paragraph ii) This covers board members who may have served one or more 2 year terms to indicate that you can run for election / re-election until you have served 18 years.

4) (Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph g, Sub-Paragraph iii) This defines a “year” vs. a “term” which was previously used. Due to the timing of the World’s Fair of Money, a term may be shorter or longer than 2 or 3 years.

Without this definition if someone served a term of 3 years and 1 day due to the timing of the conventions, this could affect their future eligibility.

5) (Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph g, Sub-Paragraph iv) This covers terms which start or end outside of a World’s Fair of money by defining a year as 365 days.

6) There is no mention of officers who have previously served 10 years.

I feel it would be unfair to explicitly exclude those members from running again and leaves it to the membership to decide if they should be elected again.

Discussion: The Board discussed various aspects of the Bylaw changes including terms, term limits, re-election of the President and Vice President, and the number of Board members. The discussions included impacts on fund raising, on the various interactions with staff and membership, and other aspects. The Board planned to take the time needed to make appropriate revisions.

President Adkins tasked the staff to survey the ANA membership for comments on three options for revising the Bylaws. Governor Lyon will provide a draft of the text of the options for Board concurrence.

Since no motion was made or seconded for consideration at this meeting the Board took no further action on this agenda item.

Governor Uram left the meeting at 5:08 PM.

Agenda Item #4. Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule – President Gary Adkins

The next Board of Governors meetings will take place in Philadelphia at the World’s Fair of Money. Please refer to the schedule provided with this agenda for the full list of meetings and activities requiring Board participation.

ADJOURN at 5:14 PM MDT

