# **Board Meets in Orlando**

During the Florida United Numismatists Show in January, officials considered awards, bylaws, finances and collections.

[ORLANDO FL] The American Numismatic Association Board of Governors met in executive and open sessions on January 8 at the Florida United Numismatists (FUN) Show in Orlando, Florida. Present and voting were President Clifford Mishler, Vice President Thomas G. Hallenbeck, and Governors Joseph E. Boling, Jeff Garrett, J.P. Martin, Walter A. Ostromecki, Scott Rottinghaus and Wendell A. Wolka, Governor Chester L. Krause was unable to attend.

Also present were Executive Director Larry Shepherd, General Counsel and Parliamentarian A. Ronald

Sirna Jr., Treasurer Austin M. Sheheen Jr., Sergeant-at-Arms William H. Horton Jr. and Senior Administrative Manager Kimberly Kiick. The following is excerpted from the official minutes.

### **Bylaws**

Motion by Wolka, second by Ostromecki, to strike from the bylaws the content of Article III ("Members— Mediation, Resignation, Discipline, Suspension and Expulsion"), substituting a simple description of ANA policies, and allowing staff to develop and implement mediation procedures.

Passed—7 Yes, 1 Abstain (Mishler)

Motion by Wolka, second by Garrett, that the following text regarding membership (Article II, Section 3) be removed from the bylaws:

The Executive Director shall cause notice of each application for membership to be published monthly in The Numismatist, the official magazine of the Association. If written objection to such admission is received by the Executive Director within thirty (30) days after such publication, he/she shall thereupon give the applicant written notice of such objection and the nature thereof, and request an answer thereto within twenty (20) days after the applicant's receipt or rejection of said notice. After the expiration of said twenty (20)-day period, the Executive Director shall present such written objection, the applicant's answer thereto, if any, and all other available information relating thereto to the

Board of Governors for a determination as to whether or not to revoke the membership to which such objection has been made. In the event that such membership is revoked, the dues shall be refunded. In the event that such membership is not revoked or if no objection is made thereto as hereinbefore provided, the applicant's membership will remain in effect.

Passed—6 Yes, 1 No (Rottinghaus), 1 Abstain (Mishler)

#### **Museum Collection**

Motion by Wolka, second by Hallenbeck, to accept the proposal presented by Numismatic Guaranty Corporation (NGC) and Paper Money Guaranty (PMG) to encapsulate the Edward C. Rochette Money Museum's Bebee Collection of U.S. Paper Money to ensure its preservation, provided the agreement includes periodic assessment of the notes' condition and

assistance in appraising the value of the collection.

Passed—7 Yes, 1 Abstain (Mishler)

#### **Finances**

Motion by Wolka, second by Ostromecki, to accept BiggsKofford, P.C.'s independent audit of the Association's financial statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

Passed—7 Yes, 1 Abstain (Mishler)

#### **Awards**

Motion by Rottinghaus, second by Garrett, to discontinue the Exemplary Service Award.

Failed—4 Yes, 4 No (Boling, Mishler, Ostromecki, Wolka)

Motion by Rottinghaus to discontinue the Numismatist of the Year Award. Failed for lack of a second

Motion by Rottinghaus, second by

Hallenbeck, to discontinue the Outstanding Government Service Award.

Passed—7 Yes, 1 Abstain (Mishler)

Motion by Rottinghaus, second by Wolka, to support staff recommendations limiting the number of annual Medals of Merit and Glenn Smedley Memorial Awards to no more than two and five, respectively.

Passed—5 Yes, 2 No (Boling, Hallenbeck), 1 Abstain (Mishler)

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