

# Greater Mound City Stamp Club

Minutes from General Membership meeting on August 26, 2019

Present: President Guy Gasser, Vice President Ed Bayham, Mimi White, Gene Stewart, Frank Kollinger, Bob Ogrodnik, David Mahsman, Lesa Morgan, Norb Wright, Katrina Whitaker, Ken Grothoff, Paul Hicks, Joe Casey, Roger Grider, Secretary Phil Schorr, Don Amelung, Gary Toth, Dennis O'Brien, Tom Minor, Treasurer Gary Hendren, Nathan Esbeck, Jerry Schultz, Pat Morgan.

President Guy Gasser called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Drawings: David Mahsman won the 50/50 cash prize [\$9.00] drawing. The attendance prize \$10 Certificate for use at a future StampFest was won by Gene Stewart.

Minutes: The June meeting Minutes were approved following a motion by Gene and a second by Pat.

Treasurer report:

-Gary reported StampFest appears to have been profitable, with 16 dealers paying for tables, \$192 from the 10 cent table, and about \$175 as our commission from the auction. There are still loose ends to wrap up from StampFest before a final result can be reported.

Announcements:

- Two new members were in attendance and welcomed. Joe Casey joined at StampFest and Don Amelung joined during the meeting.
- Phil reported we had two additional new members join the club during StampFest. They are Gary Denker and Ken Schafermeyer. We hope to see them at a future meeting. The four new members brings our total membership to 61.
- Ed Bayham reported all the programs for the rest of this year are filled, but we need to start filling the slots for next year. Why not give a presentation on your collection or interests? Contact Ed to choose your month.
- Tom Minor reported attendance for StampFest was down, with part of the reason probably being all the shows taking place within weeks of ours, including the AFDCS show. Tom thanked everyone who helped with the many duties of running the show.
- Guy led a discussion of ideas for improving attendance next year, including more targeted ads. He asked for everyone to send suggestions to him. He also presented the initial plan for increased dues for next year (\$15 per member and \$20 for a family membership). Two suggestions came from the members, one to not charge extra for a family membership and one to offer a \$5 discount for opting to receive the newsletter by email. The vote will take place next month.
- The Location Committee has been working on new locations for our meetings and for StampFest since it appears Parkway is not interested in keeping us. It was agreed we will keep the meetings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday. Additional info will be reported when things are decided.
- The September Socopex bourse will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in September, not the usual 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Program: Bob Ogrodnik gave an interesting presentation on the 1946 airmail set from Poland, the first issued after the war. Much of it was from Bob's award winning exhibit on this subject.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.