

**MINUTES OF THE Sept 26, 2013 MEETING
OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE OF THE
INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELLERS SOCIETY
OF CANADA**

MEMBERS	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Bob Migliardi	National Director	P
Gary Barling	Chapter/Member Liaison	P (Skype)
Kerry Traynor	Chapter/Member Liaison	A
John MacDonald	Treasurer & Membership/Circulation	P
Steve Sauvé	Random Thoughts Editor	P
Kevin Smith	Back Issues/Special Products Distribution	A
Mark Heyendal	Secretary/Consigliere	A
Kim Elliot	Webmaster	P (Skype)
Chris Aleong	beaveRTales Newsletter	P (Skype)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm on Sept 26, 2013 at the home of Steve Sauvé

Item	National Director Business	Action by:
1.1	There has been some informal discussion with certain chapters with an effort to improve relations. We shall see how things progress.	Info
	RT Editor	
2.1	Steve showed the proof for RT 35/2, which took an inordinately long time to return from the printer!	Info
2.2	A quote was presented from another (hopefully speedier) printer which included mailing. On closer examination, however, it was determined that there were factors the printer had not considered (e.g. including renewal notices and membership cards in only specific members' issues) which would actually make the price considerably higher.	info
2.3	It was decided to carry on with our existing printer, but to explore possible ways to reduce the turn-around time. Steve will liaise with the printer to see what can be done.	Steve
	BeaveRTales	
3.1	The latest beaveRTales was emailed to the members in mid-August, and seems to have been well received.	Info
3.2	Chris reports that his hectic work schedule should ease in about a month, and he will be able to undertake more of his duties. We will see if there is a way to have him working on BT, while still leaving sufficient time for work and family. The possibility of a multi-level editorship is being discussed.	Exec

	Treasurer	
4.1	John reported that the treasury is in good shape, with all bills paid. This will allow us to continue funding various initiatives such as the National/Chapter co-Promotion Project, a possible free 50 th Anniversary decal sheet, etc.	info
4.2	Those Chapters which have joined with IPMS Canada in the National/Chapter co-Promotion Project are being invoiced for their share of the costs.	John
	Membership/Circulation	
5.1	Membership continues to grow bit-by-bit. It is up about 8 1/2% over this time a year ago. Huzzah!	info
5.2	More members are now renewing via email/website, thanks to John's system of pre-renewal notice renewal notices (huh?). We are also trying to contact those members whose emails keep bouncing back to let them know they should look into it on their end.	John
	Marketing	
6.1	Following on an idea proposed by the Editor, a low cost flyer is now available, especially designed for new chapters. Its blank back will allow Chapters to include their own meeting and contact info there, as they can be run through a printer or photocopier. Petawawa has already been sent some. We are eager to hear how they have been received, and more importantly, if they helped attract potential members to the chapter.	info
	Chapter/Member Liaison	
7.1	As part of the National/Chapter co-Promotion Project, the London Chapter has been sent banner and flyer artwork for approval.	Info
7.2	We are still waiting to hear from Montreal and Lethbridge re their participation in the Project.	Kerry
7.3	We have received a request from the Hamilton Chapter for award sponsorship for their Heritagecon 8 (to be held March 2014). IPMS Canada is always happy to help the chapters with awards sponsorship... although it would have been nice to receive a one-on-one request rather than a "Dear Sir or Madam" form letter. Is it just me, or is civility really dead?	Kerry
7.4	The situation of "dual citizenship" chapters has been clarified with IPMS USA. Further discussions along the same lines will take place with the IPMS UK exec this November in the UK.	info
7.5	The subject of an annual "Chapter of the Year" award was discussed. At this point we are trying to establish a set of criteria for the award.	Exec
	Webmaster	
8.1	The webmaster is getting back in harness after a period of holidays and other commitments. Fortunately there was no major work needed on the website while he was away.	Info

	Secretary	
9.1	The regular Secretary being absent, the multi-talented Mr. Migliardi stepped into the role of scribe. Fortunately he had brought his quill and papyri.	Info
	Back Issues/Special Products	
10.1	Via an emailed report, Kevin stated that all orders for back issues, lapel pins, etc, have been processed and sent.	Info
10.2	He reported that we have also now sold out of RT 32/4. The website listing will be amended to reflect this.	Kim
	New Business	
11.1	Subjects for an "IPMS Canada 50 th Anniversary" decal sheet were tossed around. Chapters and individual members are invited to send along their suggestions for what we would like to be a sheet of really neat Canadian markings... AFVs as well as aircraft.	Info

The meeting ended at 10 pm. As several exec members are travelling to the UK for IPMS UK's 50th Anniversary Scale ModelWorld, the date for the next exec meeting is yet to be determined.

Bob Migliardi