

# The Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes December 20, 2011, 9:00 pm EST

Gene Bradberry called the conference call of the Federation to order at 9:00 pm EST.

**Present:** Gene Bradberry, President

Bob Ferraro, 1<sup>st</sup> VP

Ferdinand Meyer V, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP John Pastor, Director at Large

James Berry, Secretary

James Bender, Membership Director Pam Selenak, Public Relations Director Alan DeMaison, Business Manager

Richard Watson, Historian Martin Van Zant, B&E Editor

Dave Maryo, Western Region Director Randee Kaiser, Midwest Region Director

Sheldon Baugh, Director at Large

**Absent:** Carl Sturm, Director at Large

Gary Beatty, Treasurer

Ed Kuskie, NE Region Director Tom Phillips, Convention Director Jack Hewitt, Southern Region Director

The conference call was held to discuss the 2012 nominations and elections of FOHBC officers and other general business.

## **Agenda 1: 2012 FOHBC Elections**

Gene Bradberry has emailed the group the slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee. Gene reviewed Article VIII Terms and Elections of the By Laws of the FOHBC.

The nominating committee's slate of officers was identified and per by laws will be published in the January/February 2012 edition of Bottles and Extras. Any member desiring to run for any office may file a nomination form with the Election Committee indicating the office they would like to run for. The deadline for filing is April 2012.

## Agenda 2: FOHBC Hall of Fame / Honor Roll

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To clarify, Ferdinand Meyer read from the minutes of the March 6, 2010 Board meeting which at that time, the Hall of Fame and Honor Roll guidelines were approved. Alan DeMaison has received several nominations. He will forward the nomination information to all FOHBC officers.

#### Action taken:

The FOHBC officers will review nominating information after the first of the year. Per guidelines, Hall of Fame / Honor Roll nominees should meet or exceed the criteria noted in the guidelines.

## **Agenda 3: Next Conference Call**

Gene Bradberry would like to have a conference call on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Agenda items for this call will be:

- Clarify election process, date of mailing ballots and return date.
- A new seal is needed for ballots.
- Membership.

In reference to membership, Alan DeMaison discussed being proactive and putting forth a good effort to make people *want* to be a member of the Federation. He suggested having a "membership drive" at the Baltimore show. He noted that Jim Bender and Ferdinand Meyer are doing a great job with promoting the Federation through mailings and the website, however, at this point, the website is accessible to everyone whether they are a member or not.

#### Action taken:

Alan DeMaison and Ferdinand Meyer will work on creating a password for a 'members section' on the website.

## **Agenda 4: Other Discussion**

Pam Selenak said she has received good feedback from her Christmas card emails. People are glad to see that the FOHBC is move forward in a positive way.

The conference all was ended at 10:00 pm EST

Respectfully submitted,

James Berry, Secretary