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## FIP COMMISSION FOR POSTAL HISTORY

### Minutes of the FIP Postal History Commission bureau meeting

held at the Bar of the Sheraton Golf Hotel in Rome, Italy on October 22, 2009,  
at 7:30 pm local time.

Present:

Chairman of the bureau – Kurt Kimmel-Lampart  
Secretary of the bureau – JJ Danielski  
Representative of FEPA – Per Friis Mortensen  
Member appointed by the Chairman – Danforth Walker (seminars)  
Representative of the FIP Board – Paulo Comelli

Absent (excused):

Representative of FIAF – Dila Eaton  
Representative of FIAP – Dr. Andrew Cheung  
Member appointed by the Chairman – Malcolm Groom (webmaster)

#### 1. Approval of the minutes of our BM June 27, 2008, Bucharest

Dan Walker moved and P-F Mortensen seconded that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved; carried.

#### 2. Discuss and approve list of qualified presenters a) for FIP Postal history judging seminars b) for FIP general and Postal History exhibiting seminars

The list of presenters for FIP seminars in Postal History was discussed and approved on the motion of Dan Walker, seconded by P-F Mortensen.

#### 3. Discuss suggestions to improve our SREV's and GL

It was decided that it is too early to discuss suggestions regarding improvement of SREV and GL for Postal History.

#### 4. Activity reports

FEPA - P-F Mortensen informed participants about seminar given in Essen(Germany) and Malmö (Sweden);

FIAF - Paulo Comelli advised that during the FIAF meeting in Bogota (September 3, 2009), Dr. Peter McCann presented the seminar "How to Win a Gold Medal in Postal History" which was immediately translated into Spanish by the President of the Paraguay Philatelic Federation, Mr. Roberto Eaton.

On June 6, 2009 during NAPEX in Washington, DC, Ms. Patricia Stilwell-Walker and Dr. Peter McCann conducted an international judging seminar in Postal History.

#### **5. SS2 (final version)**

Dan Walker reported on the progress of the final SS2 (Judging). The draft should be ready in early January 2010.

#### **6. Bureau Information policy**

Following cases of leaked information regarding issues under discussion by the bureau, Per Friis suggested stopping this kind of practice effective immediately. The members of the bureau agreed that issues under discussion should only be communicated to outside parties after having been approved by the majority of the bureau members.

#### **7. Identification of all those involved in the process of accreditation/cross-accreditation**

**Clarification of the status quo: who does what in the process**

**Need for the detailed determination of competence for:**

- a) Accreditation and cross-accreditation,
- b) Continuing education for judges and exhibitors
- c) Assigning of judges to continental and world exhibitions

**How to improve Jury selection? (Suggestions Andrew, Paulo)**

**Do we need periodical performance review for all judges?**

**Should each judge be obliged to attend seminars as a part of updating their knowledge in the fast changing environment? Is there a need for the test of language skills (in English only) for judges?**

Due to lack of time these items were not discussed and postponed to our next Bureau meeting.

Meeting was adjourned around 8:00 pm local time.

Chairman

Secretary