Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors

MLA 1513 Walnut Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania February 19, 1954, 8 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Brown, Buckley, Brooks, Cadwell, Clements, Duryea, Eckel, Franklin, Moore, Pamphilon, Swigart, Weeks, Weiant.

GUESTS

J. F. Hershey, David Garriques, Wm. Pollock, Wm. Boden, Thos. Shannahan, Clyde Simmons, Dr. Jay Moody.

The meeting was called to order by President Brown at 8:30 P.M. The president then introduced the guests.

1. READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Action: Motion was made and carried that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

2. READING OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Action: As the Treasurer's report had been distributed to all Board members, motion was made and carried that the reading of the report be dispensed with and that the report be accepted as presented.

3. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Publications Committee: Duryea reporting. The membership roster is nearly ready for mailing. Has been held up to include names of new officers. It is planned to have the March issue of the AA in the mails during March. 5200 copies of the AA are being printed for each issue.

Activities Committee: Weeks reporting. There are 380 reservations for the banquet tomorrow night. The Cape May Chamber of Commerce has asked for a letter from the Secretary of the AACA accepting the dates of July 10 and 11, 1954, for the Cape May Shore Run. The Secretary was asked to write this letter to Mr. Alec Lyle. Plans for the Spring Meet at Pottstown are progressing. President Brown stated that the Fall Meet can be held at Hershey Stadium if the Board desires. Considerable discussion

Action: The President thanked the Nominating Committee for a good job and dissolved the committee.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Approval of the by-laws by the second vote of the Board.

Action: A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried that the by-laws as presented to the Board and as voted upon at the last meeting of the Board be approved and made effective.

Reading of Correspondence by the Secretary: Letters were read from the VMCCA thanking the AACA for an excellent 1953 Glidden Tour, and from the Fairmount Park Commission thanking the AACA for their donation.

Regional Business:

A letter was read by Henry regarding the new proposed region at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Swigart, Regional Director of the Allegheny Region, recommended that this new region be granted.

Action: The Board approved the formation of a new region with headquarters at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Action: Motion was made and seconded that the Board lift the charter of the Western Pennsylvania Region for lack of performance. Upon a count of hands the vote stood 5 for lifting the charter and 6 for not lifting the charter. Motion not carried. It was the opinion of the Board that the Director of Regions should contact the Director of the Western Pennsylvania Region and attempt to have them organize and offer the members some activities.

Membership Study: Weiant proposed that a study be made of the classes of membership as now in force and that consideration be given to eliminating the Associated membership class. Also that new methods be used for selecting the members nominated for the Board of Directors. Considerable discussion followed with such suggestions as payment of transportation for Board members to at least two meetings per year.

Action: Motion made, seconded, and carried that a committee study the proposals brought forth by Mr. Weiant and report their recommendations to the Board. The president assigned this study to the Membership Committee.