

BCS Annual Meeting Agenda

Sunday October 8, 2023 4pm EST

Via ZOOM

1. Meeting Called to Order, appointing Meeting Chair. Nigel Shanks happy to act.
2. Establish Quorum
3. Confirm the minutes of the previous AGM on December 2, 2022 as published in Issue 146 of Bermuda Post, April – June 2023
4. Treasurer/Secretary's Report
5. President's Report
6. Election of two new board members to replace Horst Augustinovic and John Paré due to their term expiring December 31, 2023. The nominations for the three positions are as follows:

Dave Robinson

My name is Dave Robinson, and I am placing my name into consideration for the 2024 slate of BCS Directors. I reside in the Cincinnati, Ohio area, am 60 years old and have been retired for 3 years. I have been a Bermuda collector since 1978, an APS life member since 1995, and a BCS member since 2011. I previously served a 3-year term on the Board of Directors (2020-2022), with major contributions including our society's submission to the American Philatelist (September 2022: Why Collect Bermuda) and to the American Philatelic Research Library Philatelic Review (Fourth Quarter 2022: Collecting Bermuda). Both of these articles are highly visible on the BCS website. I've also contributed a few articles to the Bermuda Post, the most recent one being the July 2023 article on the 3-powers conference. Administratively, I have worked with current Board Members David Provost and Jerry Clifton to update our society By-Laws. I believe that the BCS can continue to grow, thrive, and demonstrate excellence in everything that we decide to touch. I have learned so much from my interactions with members of the society. I look forward to serving another term as a BCS Director.

Michael Blaine

Michael Blaine teaches English at Delaware Technical Community College. He is an Ole Miss graduate in English and has a master's degree in English from Salisbury University. He describes himself as both a stamp collector and an amateur philatelist. His collections are eclectic, but the majority focus on British Commonwealth. Bermuda has always been a personal favorite. He and his wife visited the Hamilton post office last year. He is an APS and a Royal Philatelic Society member. He has a wonderful wife and three children ages 20 years (boy), 16 years (girl), and 13 years (girl). He has two cats and one dog as well.

7. Board appoints officers by majority vote to serve until the 2023 Annual Meeting as follows:

Nigel Shanks	President, Advertising Manager, Webmaster
John Puzine	Vice President
Jeff Dow	Secretary/Treasurer/Membership Director
8. Board appoints our current editor of Bermuda Post Everett Parker by majority vote to continue to serve for another term until the 2024 Annual Meeting.
9. Vote to have 2024 AGM held over zoom rather than at the below show due to high attendance over Zoom.

2024 August 15-18 Great American Stamp Show, Hartford, CT

10. Discussion and vote on adopting the revised BCS Bylaws as drafted by David Provost, Dave Robinson and Jerry Clifton.
11. Discussion and vote on increasing dues to keep up with rising postage and printing costs. See separate page with agenda.
12. Update and discussion on moving the group's base from State of California to another state in the USA. The group has filing obligations which David Provost is carrying out but perhaps it is time to think about a change to the East Coast where we have more members.

Meeting History (2011 - 2022)

2011 STAMPSHOW, Columbus, OH

2013 NAPEX, Tysons Corners, VA

2015 RMS, Denver, CO

2017 NAPEX Tysons Corners, VA

2019 NAPEX, Tysons Corner, VA

2020 SNSE, Sarasota, FL (replaced Zoom 20/11/20)

2022 CHICAGOPEX, Chicago, IL (Zoom 2/12/2022)

2012 WESTPEX, Burlingame, CA

2014 STAMPSHOW, Hartford, CT

2016 NEW YORK 2016, New York City, NY

2018 PHILATELIC SHOW, Boxboro, MA

2020 GASS, Hartford, CT (Zoom 20/11/20)

2021 NOJEX, E Rutherford, NJ (Zoom 29/10/2021)

2023 Zoom 8/10/2023

Note: The meetings highlighted in blue were actually held over zoom rather than at the show as originally intended.