

ANTIQUE TELEPHONE COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION
MINUTES - ANNUAL MEETING
La Crosse, Kansas - April 28th, 1973

The Annual Meeting of the Antique Telephone Collectors Association was held at LaCrosse, Kansas, April 28th, 1973. Members present were: Van Norrick, Watts, Kronsberger, Farmer, Horner, Sridalak, O'Conner, Murphy, Jones, Waldo, Fellers, Al Ellis, G. Esslinger, Ed, Shumaker, Stull, Eily, Foster, Smith, and 6 guests.

President Merrill Husborg called the meeting to order. Mayor Ray Eily gave the welcome. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as read. Treasurer's report included financial (copy enclosed) and membership, with remarks concerning other phases of the year's operation. In reporting the financial condition, mention was made that the growth of the membership would be a factor in the cash position and, that should memberships become static, the \$5.00 per member dues would probably not be sufficient to meet the growing cost in servicing the membership, as postage alone will amount to about \$2.00 per member.

Further discussion of the dues structure indicated a need to have funds available for purchase of record keeping facilities, such as letter file, binders, micrograph and copy machines and other office equipment, supplies, and expenses. A portion of Article V of the By-Laws reads "Any person, organization or municipality in conformity with the objectives of the Association shall be eligible for membership upon the payment of \$5.00 initiation fee and \$5.00 annual dues. A motion was made from the floor to amend the By-Laws (as provided and authorized by Article VIII) to read "Any person, organization, or municipality in conformity with the objectives of the Association shall be eligible for membership upon the payment of \$5.00 initiation fee and \$10.00 annual dues", to become effective January 1st, 1974, and all dues to be due January 1st and delinquent after April 1st. The motion was seconded and passed.

Discussions and other reports indicate many ways of improvement that would be of benefit to members. Many good suggestions that will be of future concern were noted, and will be made use of. Alan Farmer reported that arrangements for the October meeting in Lincoln, Neb., were about completed and was sure that members will be pleased with the facilities. More in later letters about this meeting. Consensus of opinion was that the 1974 fall meeting should be in California, if the members there so desire. Tom Horner was commissioned to contact California members to determine their feeling in regard to hosting the meeting. Determination of plans and dates should be made so that announcements can be made prior to or at the Lincoln meeting.

Directors Eily and Watts terms expired with this meeting. President Husborg announced that the nominations for the directors were now in order. Alan Farmer and Ray Eily were nominated there being no other nominations, the motion was made that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous vote for Alan Farmer and Ray Eily. The motion was seconded and passed. The 1973 spring business meeting was set for LaCrosse, Kansas, on April 28th, 1974. The motion was made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

The Board of Directors met following the membership meeting, and the following officers were elected: Merrill Husborg, President; Dan Foster, Vice-President; Clarence Smith, Secretary-Treasurer. Due to the late hour, the meeting adjourned until 10:00 a.m., April 29th, 1973. At that meeting, budget items were considered and authorization was given for the purchase of a letter file and other office requirements. A motion was made and seconded to pay the Secretary \$5.00 per month. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Done and month.

Clarence E. Smith, Sec-Tr.