SPRINGFIELD STAMP CLUB MINUTES OF THE 6 MARCH 2024 BUSINESS MEETING

President Jack Ginsburg called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with twelve members present. The Secretary read the minutes of the 21 February 2024 meeting and they were accepted as amended. The Treasurer made his report and it was accepted as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

SPRINGPEX: Chairman Kevin Hans reported that twenty-three dealers have submitted payment for tables at SPRINGPEX and a decision from one more is pending. A total of 44 frames will be competitively exhibited with an additional three to be exhibited non-competitively. At present it appears that eleven or twelve one-page fun-exhibits will be submitted by members.

The Postcrossing Project has finalized plans for a presence at SPRINGPEX and about 15 to 20 members will participate. The Project's website recently included an informative article promoting SPRINGPEX.

Neal Parr noted the need to discuss timing and inventory with the Post Office. Regrettably there have been shows when the Post Office was present at the school only during the afternoon and/or with only a limited variety of first class postage. To meet the needs and desires of SPRINGPEX attendees the Post Office representative needs to be open for sales at 10 AM Saturday and to be offering a broad selection of different types of postage.

Tom Boden, Awards Breakfast Chairman, distributed fliers advertising the breakfast and itemizing the planned menu. Anticipating an attendance increase of perhaps 20 to 25% over last year, Tom said he will assign seating arrangements with objectives such as seating exhibitors with judges.

It was noted that Mrs. Baron and Mrs. Gross will be invited to present the Baron-Gross Award. Kevin will ensure prior to the breakfast that they are aware of their role. Members eagerly agreed that they and their families will be honorary guests at the Breakfast.

Other honorary guests include:

JUDGES

John Hotchner, Chief Judge. Dr. Ron Lesher. Peter Martin. Daniel Piazza. SPEAKER Russell Eggert.

> William Geary Secretary