COMARA Board Meeting Minutes September 12, 2023

Attendees (held virtually, via Zoom):

Maury Mechanick	David Lee
Kim Baumgartner	Richard Rankin
Roger Cochetti	Geza Serenyi
Denis Curtin	
Dan DiFonzo	

Adoption of Agenda/Approval of Minutes

Following adoption of the agenda, the Board approved the Minutes for the June 13, 2023 meeting.

Treasurer's Report and Membership Update

The Treasurer's Report covered the time period from June 13, 2023 through September 12, 2023. Expenses for 2023 year to date came to \$1914 (website hosting company fee; P.O. Box rental; liability insurance; and Word Press/Constant Contact fee) and income came to \$420, reflecting dues payments for 15 members. The value of the COMARA Fidelity account was \$52,901 and total assets were \$61,839, including bank balance, Paypal balance and the Fidelity account.

LMCO Benefits

No issues regarding LMCO benefits were noted.

Newsletter, Web Hosting, etc.

Input from Board Members to the new website continues to be strongly encouraged. Kim Baumgartner's suggestion to provide industry updates was agreed to. The You Tube Link to the video on the launch of early Bird 1 will be added to the website.

Social Activities for 2023/Annual Meeting

The Board reconfirmed having the in-person annual meeting on September 23, 2023, to be hosted at Maury Mechanick's residence on September 23, 2023. The virtual annual meeting will then take place on September 30, 2023. The final social event of the year will again be the First Wednesday in December event.

The three Board members whose term ends this year are Kim Baumgartner, Dan DiFonzo and Denis Curtin, all of which agreed to run for new three-year terms and all of which have been reelected to three year terms, with the election having been conducted on line using the same process as employed last year.

Satellite Gallery at the National Electronics Museum Project

The transfer of the NEM Museum to the Hunt Valley located has been completed, although some ongoing difficulties with relocation of elements of the Satellite Gallery are still being addressed.

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The next Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 11:30 am. (This is deferral from originally scheduled date of December 5, 2023.)

The meeting adjourned about 12:20 pm.

Submitted by: Maury Mechanick