## **Board of Directors Meetings**

The Articles of Association and By-Laws require two meetings of the Board of Directors each year in the vicinity of Newington, Connecticut. The "Annual" meeting is scheduled to begin on the third Friday of January unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors. The "second" meeting is scheduled to begin on the third Friday in July.

Expenses of the Director and Vice Director travel to these meetings are paid from a separate account, not charged to the Division.

It is customary for meeting personnel (Officers, Directors, Vice Directors, and senior staff) to have dinner the preceding evening, followed by an informal session as the group may agree. Directors may arrive early to attend meetings of their standing and/or ad hoc committees when within the approved budgetary constraints.

The typical agenda for a meeting commences with a moment of silence followed by hearing oral updates of written reports of Officers and committees, and acceptance of reports. Motions relating to the work of a committee may be made at the time of its report, or later in the meeting.

Each Director (in rotation, alphabetically by Division) is then recognized to offer motions. It has been customary to agree that there will be one motion (or basic subject) per Director per turn, and the rotation continues until all Motions have been presented. A final "round-the-table" permits the handling of any remaining miscellaneous matters. At Annual meetings, there are also elections to the Executive Committee (and, in even-numbered years, election of Officers), and authorizations of the annual financial budget plan.

Meetings vary in length but ordinarily terminate formally in the late afternoon on the second day.