BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Chicago, Ill. April 8, 1949

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lead Industries Association was held on Friday, April 8, 1949 at 2:15 P.M., at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

PRESENT	REPRESENTING
Norman Hickman	American Metal Co. Ltd.
S. D. Strauss	American Smelting & Refining Co.
A. E. Bendelari	Eagle-Picher Co.
J. H. Schaefer	Ethyl Corp.
Clarence Glass	International Smelting & Refining Co., Anaconda Sales Co., Agents
J. A. Martino	National Lead Co.
F. E. Wormser	St. Joseph Lead Co.
George Mixter	United States Smelting Refining & Mining Co. Inc.

Robert L. Ziegfeld, Secretary-Treasurer

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that Mr. Felix E. Wormser be elected chairman of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Wormser then occupied the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting of May 21, 1948, were approved.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The chairman stated that it was in order to elect officers of the Association, whereupon, the following nominations were made, and there being no further nominations, the secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the election of these nominees and they were declared elected:

Felix E. Wormser, President
K. C. Brownell, Vice President
J. A. Martino, Vice President

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The chairman then read the list of the Executive Committee as constituted, as follows:

Felix E. Wormser, Chairman
K. C.Brownell
L. E. Hanley
J. A. Martino

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WHEREUPON, with the consent of the Board, the Chairman appointed them as members of the Executive Committee.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the following resolution be adopted:

> WHEREAS, the membership of the Lead Industries Association has increased so greatly since the original adoption of the By-Laws, and
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> WHEREAS, the number of consumers of lead represented in the membership is now greater than formerly, and
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> WHEREAS, the Executive Committee as now constituted is predominantly representative of the producers of lead, therefore
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> BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board present at this meeting recommend to the Board for adoption at its next meeting, an amendment to Article IV, Executive Committee, Sec. 1 of the By-Laws, to add one additional member to the Committee, thus increasing its membership from five to six.

MEMBERSHIP

Bers & Company, Inc.
Metro Smelting Company - The election of Bers & Co., Inc., Ashland and Lewis Streets, Philadelphia 24, Pa., and the Metro Smelting Co., Ontario and Bath Sts., Philadelphia 34, Pa. to membership in the Lead Industries Association, as of March 18, 1949, by letter ballot of the Executive Committee, was confirmed.

Pennsylvania Smelting & Refining Co. - An application for full membership in the Association was presented from Pennsylvania Smelting & Refining Co., Ontario and Casper Streets, Philadelphia 34, Pa., signed by Mr. Joseph Axelrod, President, the Company being a large smelter of nonferrous metals. The application was unanimously approved.

Western Smelting & Refining Co. - A request from the Western Smelting & Refining Company for suspension of its membership until it again reentered the lead business was considered by the Board and it was decided that in order to avoid establishing precedent which might lead to future complications, the Western Smelting & Refining Company be requested to re[illegible] and informed that their reapplication for membership would be given prompt conside-

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ration at the time they wished to re-join the Association.

Membership Eligibility - The question of whether brokers or others who are not bonafide producers or consumers of lead, but who have an interest in lead, might be made eligible for membership, was considered. It was felt that such organizations could contribute little to the Association and, therefore, it was decided to take no action on changing the Constitution in this respect.

PACKAGING OF DRY LEAD PIGMENTS

The Board again considered the resolution passed by the Board on September 30, 1931 pertaining to the use of paper bags for packaging dry lead pigments.

The secretary explained that a survey had been made of pigment producers just prior to the meeting which indicated that the use of paper bags is now a most common practice and representatives of pigments manufacturers present explained that there had been so much improvement in quality of paper bags that they are now felt to be safer than the use of previous types of containers.

The resolution of September, 1931 was, therefore, rescinded unanimously by the Board.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL EDUCATION NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

A request for a financial contribution to the Committee on Medical Education of the New York Academy of Medicine was considered and rejected on the basis that the work of the Committee was not of direct interest to the lead industry and that the Academy is local and not national in scope, whereas the membership of the Association is national in scope.

Mr. Wormser pointed out that his Company was a liberal contributor to the New York Academy of Medicine and that other companies in New York could do the same if they so desired.

REINVESTMENT OF FUNDS

The secretary was authorized to reinvest the $34,000 which would be realized from the like amount of U.S.Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness, 1-1/8%, due June 1, 1949, with the guidance of the Executive Committee.

It was suggested that the interest rate might be improved and that that possibility should be thoroughly investigated.

FILM ON LEAD POISONING

The chairman explained that Dr. Belknap of the Globe Union Battery Co. had suggested that the Association might be interested in financing a moving picture on the diagnosis, treatment and control of the lead hazard. He pointed out that if such a movie were made the Association could probably also get the sponsorship of the American Medical Association and its aid in the distribution of the film. The idea of the film would be to acquaint general practitioners, students, plant managers and others with the problem.

No action was requested of the Board at this time as further investigation of the cost, content of the film, and other matters would be necessary before arriving at any conclusions.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

Robert [illegible]

Secretary