

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society
January 22, 2014

Board Meeting

President Miles called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board members present: Stephen Huston, Bill Hyder, Jerry Schimmel, and Herb Miles.

Minutes of Previous Meeting were approved via email.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$11,760.55 on January 22, 2014. The summary report for 2013 showed a total income of \$1,561.92 and expenses of \$2,413.61. The board approved a budget projecting another \$1,200 loss in 2014.

The Recorder was instructed to contact each member and ask them to change their bulletin delivery method to email to reduce our total operating costs.

Other ideas to reduce the projected deficit was to hold a white elephant auction as a fund raiser.

Medals designs for our 100th anniversary medal were reviewed and will now be reviewed with Daniel Carr.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35.

General Meeting

President Miles called the meeting to order at 7:45.

Members present included: Stephen Huston, Bill Hyder, Herb Miles, Jerry Schimmel, Mark William Clark, Chris Donaldson, and Federico Castillo.

Stephen Huston presented his talk: Coinage at the End of the Line.

Stephen focused on weird things that happen with coinage at the end of dynasties.

In Macedonia, Alexander the Great's reign was followed by intrigue brought about by different wives, half siblings, and regents struggling for power through assassinations. Alexander's coin designs continue under those who followed him. After several deaths and successions, Kassander, Alexander's Regent kills most everyone remaining and becomes king fourteen years later. While he continues the coinage, although the designs begin to change even though Alexander's name is retained.

In Egypt, Cleopatra follows her father Ptolemy as ruler. Following the assassination of Marc Anthony and the death of Cleopatra, Augustus becomes king of Egypt. His first coinage issue in Egypt continues Cleopatra's portrait on the obverse but places his own name on the reverse.

Exhibits:

Federico Castillo shared three unknown tokens. The Owl Pool Parlor—from California or Montana? A bath house token with a pictorial tub on the reverse most likely made in France. Could it be Columbia or Argentina? The final token was from a billiard hall in Elmhurst. A town named Elmhurst used to be located near Oakland, but there is also an Elmhurst in Wisconsin. The token and both towns are unlisted.

Herb Miles displayed a coin belt made from silver coins including a Hawaiian dollar, a CC trade dollar, and a CC Morgan dollar.

Bill Hyder shared an 1877 Lord's Prayer token struck on a retired U.S. Mint press at the centennial exposition in Philadelphia. The press is displayed today at the ANA Museum in Colorado Springs. The second item was an Elk's badge from 1912 celebrating the planned 1915 Panama-California Exposition in San Diego.

Chris Donaldson shared a Napoleon III medal from the April 1, 1867 opening of the Paris Exposition.

Mark William Clark shared tokens he is currently researching. The first, a Chilean 20 centavos token from the copper mining region. It took him nearly 30 years to track down its origin. The second, a flattened 1912s Barber dime with a man walking with a cane and "13." The last is a carved (?) 1830 One Dim.

The general membership meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.