

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

August 2020 Minutes

The board meeting for August 26, 2020 was called to order via Zoom at 7:15pm by President Jason Macario. Remote attendance included Treasurer Stephen Huston, Secretary Bob Somers, Governors Ed Treuting and Paul V. Turner, past President Dan Hipple along with members, Michael Wehner, Bill Hyder and Herb Miles.

The minutes from the July meeting were approved.

Financial report for reporting period July 22 to August 25, 2020 were reviewed.

The Schimmel monograph project continues to be tabled.

The PCNS Library move from Sutro Library continues to be tabled.

The Newman Numismatic Portal was discussed as an option for posting the past papers, journals and current presentations. PCNS does not hold the copyright on the papers and journals. Copyright rests with the authors or their estates so that material cannot be posted on the NNP.

The board approved posting the current presentations on the NNP with the presenter's approval.

Speakers are needed for October and November.

Meeting adjourned 7:37pm

At 7:37pm, the general meeting was called to order via Zoom. In attendance along with those from the board meeting were Erik Frankenfield, Charlie Catlett, Mike McDaniel, Dean Neald, Jeff Fung, Chris Rivers and Lou Robinson.

The 2020 papers contest winners were announced.

1st place "The Crimean War Medal of San Francisco" Michael Wehner

2nd place "Mayhem at an Elko Brothel" Jerry Schimmel

3rd place "Foreign Coins Minted in San Francisco" Paul V. Turner

A big thank you to Dan for overseeing the papers contest again this year.

Speakers are needed for October and November.

PCNS financial situation is unchanged.

The Newman Numismatic Portal online symposium was announced. Bill Hyder and Michael Wehner will be among those speaking.

Presentation for the evening, The Little Rock Nine by Herb Miles

In 1954 segregated schools were declared unconstitutional by the US Supreme Court in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Kansas. On the heels of that decision, a group of young African American honor roll students were recruited by the NAACP in 1957 to integrate Central High School in Little Rock Arkansas. Physically blocked from attending the school, the Little Rock Nine were ultimately escorted to school and class by federal troops and later by the

federalized Arkansas National Guard. The confrontation to delay desegregation continued through the Summer of 1959 and included the closure of all Little Rock high schools for a year. The Little Rock Nine were presented with the Spingarn Medal by the NAACP for outstanding achievement by an African American, a Congressional Gold Medal in 1999 and a commemorative silver dollar minted in 2007 to recognize their strength and determination.

Member Exhibits:

Paul – George Washington Carver half dollar and a Booker T. Washington/George Washington Carver half dollar

Jeff – Three modern commemoratives depicting African Americans, The Little Rock Nine, Jackie Robinson and Crispus Attucks dollars as well as a 2017 gold liberty with the first depiction of liberty as an African American on a US coin.

Chris – 1880 shield nickel

Michael W. – Paper token good for one seat on the first San Francisco horse drawn line and a J Randel Jr. C&C Canal token

Bill – New Orleans 1884 Cotton Exposition so-called dollar and a Sachs Brothers store card

Ed – 2014 Civil Rights Act dollar, a Point Reyes token and a Point Reyes medal

Jason – Women's suffrage coin and medal set

The general meeting adjourned at 9:09pm.