



# Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

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## Minutes of the PCNS Meetings of November 23, 2016

*Status — Approved at the December 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting*

### Board Meeting

Recorder Stephen Huston called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM, with Governors Bob Somers and Jason Macario present.

Regrets: President Bill Hyder, VP Mary Lannin and Governor Ed Treuting. Past President Herb Miles had warned us that he would be arriving late.

The October Minutes were approved, and the latest Financial Report was accepted as submitted.

Bob Somers presented the Nominating Committee report:

PRESIDENT: William Hyder

VICE PRES: Daniel Hipple

RECORDER: Stephen Huston

GOVERNORS: Jason Macario, Bob Somers, Edward Treuting

It was noted that this is almost the current slate, but VP Lannin has asked to be replaced, and Dan Hipple has agreed to assume the VP position, in which he has previously served. Bob and Jason did an excellent job of getting a willing slate of officers for the next year.

Stephen Huston reported that the Papers Publication is ready to go to the printer, and the Board approved once again posting the 2016 Papers on the PCNS.org website for the public to have access.

Jason gave us advance notice that he will miss the January meeting, and the Board adjourned at 7:07 PM. (A few minutes later Herb Miles arrived and was informed of the Board's actions, with which he concurred.)

### General Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM, and, in addition to the officers noted, members Mark Wm. Clark and Federico Castillo were present.

The Board's actions were quickly reviewed without objection. (Note: there were no income or expense items in the mail nor received during the course of this evening's meetings.)

The Nominating Committee's report was announced, and additional nominations were solicited,

but there were no nominations from the floor. (Nominations remain open until during the December meeting.)

New member Donald Hill was formally accepted into membership based on his application in November.

Federico Castillo volunteered to speak at the March 2017 meeting.

**Program:** *Turkey Coins*

Herb brought a token acquired at an Alameda flea market which could be from San Francisco, but which was too damaged to be attributable with much certainty, and a common Venezuelan coin which had been slabbed by ANACS for reasons unknown and in spite of obvious surface problems.

Jason had an 1831 US half cent acquired in 1970s, which was actually minted in 1834 but which had part of the last digit of the date trimmed away to make it appear much more rare.

Bob showed his ugliest bronze national medal — the Transpo'72 commemorative.

Federico had several banknotes from Turkey, and a box of dozens of uniface or otherwise unidentifiable tokens which he had acquired in the hope he could successfully research them, including one sheep shearing token, though all remain unattributable so far.

Stephen found two 1775 counterfeit British half-penny pieces privately minted for circulation in the colonies. They resurfaced this month while cleaning out stuff packed away when he moved from his SF office many years ago, and they have not appreciated greatly in desirability over the decades.

Mark noted that, in El Salvador, turkeys had been used as guards. He also showed a “Spitting Eagle” CC-mint dollar, noting that many US dealers have never heard of this variety.

A door prize drawing was held with the winner to pick one item from 12 available prizes. Stephen's ticket was drawn, and he selected an antique Cliff House souvenir spoon.

It was noted that, though few in number, we all enjoyed the open comments which flowed freely throughout the entire meeting, which was formally adjourned at 8:40PM, though informal discussions continued for some time before we cleared the premises.

Submitted by Stephen Huston, *PCNS Recorder*