

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society January 2019 Minutes

The board meeting for January 23, 2019 was called to order at 6:45pm at Mechanics' Institute by President Dan Hipple. Present were Vice President Jason Macario, Treasurer Stephen Huston, Secretary Bob Somers and member Michael Wehner. Jerry Schimmel, Ed Treuting and Bill Hyder sent their regrets prior to the meeting and were unable to attend.

The Treasurer's report and minutes from the December meeting were approved.

The February through June meetings will be held at Fort Mason. The February speaker will be Dan Hipple and future speakers have yet to be determined.

Stephen informed the board that the 2018 papers will be out in the first quarter. Dan reminded the board of the 2019 papers deadline will be at the April meeting.

Michael updated the board on the progress of monograph #2 and that the committee continues to pull together material from several sources and multiple formats. Bill has agreed to be associate editor.

The board meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.

The general meeting was called to order at 7:29pm. In attendance were Chris Rivers, Charlie Catlett, Jeff Fung and Mark Wm. Clark in addition to those from the board meeting.

Dan reviewed the current financials which remain healthy.

Dan reviewed the minutes from the board meeting and well as upcoming coin shows.

Remember to pay your 2019 membership dues of \$20.00.

Michael Wehner gave a presentation on Vincenzo Piccolomini medal which he purchased due to the potential link to California. The bronze medal is dated 1836 with the date 1843 in roman numerals on the bust of Count Vincenzo Piccolomini. Piccolomini was a member of several scientific and academic societies who traveled the world engaged in scientific pursuits. The medal appears to commemorate Piccolomini success as a cartographer of California - what is now the western side of Mexico. There is a beetle named after him in Mexico which supports the theory that Piccolomini traveled there. The while researching Piccolomini and the medal, Michael has several unanswered questions including who made the medal, are there any Piccolomini maps in existence and was Piccolomini truly a Count or an impostor? Thank you, Michael, for stepping in at the last minute to present.

Membership agreed to endorse Don Kagin for President of the ANA with a renewal of his PCNS membership.

The drawing was postponed until the next meeting at Fort Mason.

Member exhibits included:

Stephen – Two elongated clad quarters for different size

Jeff – 1901 Pan American Expo award medal in gilt

Dan – An Anheuser Bush Brewing 150th anniversary medal and Brazil 2000 Numismatic Association medal

Michael – Two silver plaquettes by Oscar Roty and a Nobel Committee medal

Chris – 2004 ANS medal, two Golden Gate Expo medals, 50th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge medal, a framed buffalo nickel display and casino tokens from Aruba.

The general meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.