



Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

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Minutes of the PCNS Meetings of September 27, 2017

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Board Meeting

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President Hyder. All officers were present for some or all of the evening.

Both the August Minutes and the latest Financial Report were approved as distributed. Recorder Huston noted that earlier that same day, new charges for our annual PO Box rental, and early 2018 meeting room reservations had been paid.

It was noted that we still lack an October speaker. Bill indicated that, if all other ideas were exhausted, he would prepare something. November is the book sale.

Stephen asked if the 2017 Papers should be prepared for printing and posting on our website as in recent years, and was given the go-ahead by the Board.

Bill reminded us that the October meeting was time to appoint a nominating committee in anticipation of annual elections in December.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09, for a break to prepare for the general meeting.

Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 with all officers and these additional members present: Mark Wm Clark, David Lange, Jerry Schimmel, Ken Takahashi, and Michael Wehner.

President Hyder introduced PCNS Fellow David Lange, the speaker for the evening.

David gave the evening's presentation on three recent rarities in early US silver coinage which had passed through his hands at NGC in recent years, including one completely new variety.

The new variety had been reported by the its most recent purchaser, who, though a relatively new collector, suspected it was not a known variety. It was an 1822 Quarter with a known 1822 obverse paired with with a reverse die previously known only with 1823 and later years. This discovery coin is now B-3 for the date and series.

Following a short break, other members exhibited a variety of numismatic items.

- Mark brought a new book on Mexico Mint Pillar Coinage from 1732 to 1771, noting its instant popularity in Mexico.
- Ed had 2 early large cents, 1800 and 1802, noting that the 1800 appears to have the 80 of the date over 79, indicating a recut or repunched die originally made for an earlier year. He also had some

recent souvenir tokens from S. Dakota and Wyoming, all lacking lighthouses.

- Herb brought an 1841-O dime, but noted that he had not been able to determine whether it is the small-, medium-, or large-O variety.
- David brought a new book, “Forgotten Colorado Silver — Joseph Lesher’s Defiant Coins.”
- Michael brought in a group of US coins from 1830s–50s: a Bust half, Seated dollar, a Gold dollar, and 1853-C Half Eagle.
- Jerry brought in two SF tokens engraved on 19th Century US silver coins described in one of his 2013 papers as his San Francisco treat.
- Bill had sheep shearing tokens from Santa Cruz Island, and a Rancho Jolama token which is sometimes misattributed as a brothel token.
- Dan had a large bronze medal of Louis XIV (The Sun King) from the Paris Mint. A discussion ensued on how to sort out Paris Mint restrikes from original strikes, with general agreement that the restrike output of older Paris Mint items has been massive and ongoing.

Drawing: There were 5 prizes. Ed got a large coin paperweight, a British “To Hanover” jetton, and a 1oz Copper round. Bill got a silver round advertising piece from Hoffman & Hoffman mint, then in Carmel, and Jason received a British Conder token of the Picard Lead Works in Hull. The drawing brought in \$40.

The meeting was adjourned around 9 PM.

Submitted by Stephen Huston, *PCNS Recorder*