

## WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



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### Minutes from the WPNS meeting at MTL United Methodist Church on 07 Mar 2023

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President Mike Drabick gaveled the meeting to order at 1935, there were 11 members and one guest present.

#### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from the 07 Feb 2023 meeting were read.

#### Visitor Introduction

Scott Bowes was attending another meeting at the church later in the evening and decided to stay for Mike Drabick's presentation on British Sovereigns.

#### Treasurer's Report

Larry Hufnagel is still unable to print a report from the online banking site but was able to go into a Dollar Bank branch and obtain our balance. It is currently \$2,122.76. During the meeting Stuart Strickland submitted a request for \$150.00 for web hosting services. Larry was able to obtain some additional 2023 dues and there were \$66.00 of auction proceeds so we should still be above \$2,000.00 at the conclusion of March 2023.

#### Old Business

Certificates for educational presentations were received and given to Stuart Strickland, Larry Hufnagel, and Isabelo Toledo. We will submit another request for certificates once we have another 3 presentations.

Bob Stokely from the Heinz History Center provided Mike Drabick with a point of contact at HHC that can provide the club with its 2023 membership. Mike will take that for action and obtain our membership pass.

Mike contacted the Boy Scout Troop that meets at the church to gauge their interest in coming to a meeting and enjoying one of our presentations. Mike believes, and we all agree, that the presentation should be of general interest and it was suggested that an upcoming presentation about P.T. Barnum might fit the bill. Stuart Strickland also had a thought about one of his

upcoming presentations but Mike thought it might be too specialized for the Troop. The Barnum presentation will be conducted in August. More on this subject at a future meeting.

### New Business

Mike was seeking presentations for the May PAN show and specifically tasked Isabelo Toledo with presenting his history of Philippines coinage on PAN show Friday. Anyone interested in presenting should send information about their presentation to Mike Drabick ASAP. Mike is particularly interested in presentations about the United Kingdom as King Charles's coronation will be occurring in early May.

### Presentation

Mike Drabick did a detailed examination of the British Sovereign Gold Coin starting with the reign of Queen Victoria to the present. The presentation covered all aspects of the Sovereign from the many monarch that have appeared on the coin, the many mints that have produced the coin, and the hidden knowledge that can make investment in Sovereigns very lucrative. There were many questions and the presentation was very well received. Those of you not able to attend may want to ask Mike for a copy as he provided some insider information for WPNS members only at the end of the presentation.

The Meeting Adjourned at approximately 2120.