

# THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church at 3319 West Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15216

## Minutes from March 5, 2024

WPNS President Mike Drabick called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm.

### Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved without changes.

There were 12 members and three guests present.

### Announcements:

- The next Castle Shannon coin show will be April 14.

### Treasurer's Report

Larry Hufnagel presented the following report:

\$2,055.22	- January balance
<u>305.00</u>	- Deposit
\$2,360.22	- Balance as of February 29

No expenses were reported. One deposit on February 26 of \$305 from dues payments.

Ryan's dues are paid through the end of 2024.

### Old Business

- Coin books are still available. You may take one home, evaluate it, and bring the money next month.
- \$47 was collected tonight for books sold/auctioned off.
- The proposal to replace the Monroeville Convention Center with a Hobby Lobby fell through, but the Doubletree Hotel adjacent to it is still to close.
- The PAN Fall Show's location is still unsettled at this writing.
- No discussion of the Allegheny Project.

### New Business

- Discussion of holding our June meeting at the Heinz History Center. We have in past years been able to have a meeting there after the museum closes, and get a private showing of their new exhibit. At the time of the meeting, this was not yet final.
- Further discussion about a gratuity to the HHC for their generosity, but no decision.
- Stuart reported that all minutes in hand are now posted to the website, but he is missing three from 2023. Michael said he would see if he had copies of the notes.

### Correspondence – None

### Presentation – Richard Crosby, "Pittsburgh Collectibles".

This included matchbooks, ashtrays, pharmacy pill boxes, knives and other flatware, letter openers, rulers, thimbles, and many other objects. Many, but not all, were used as advertising for individual merchants.

Richard had two long tables set up with a display of dozens of examples. Once members moved over to the tables to examine the items, the meeting devolved into smaller discussion groups and an informal show & tell.

We never officially adjourned the meeting. Members dispersed approximately 9:10.

One guest whose name I caught: Leo Grace, a member of the South Hills club. Two others left early in the meeting, apparently expecting the presentation to be about US Route 66, but that was postponed until a later meeting.

Minutes submitted by Stuart Strickland, WPNS Member.