

Minutes from the WPNS meeting
held at Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church
on August 6, 2024

The President, Mike Drabick called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. He opened the meeting with a quick auction of five items to benefit WPNS.

Minutes from the previous meeting

Mike read the Minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes from July were approved without any changes.

Treasurer's report

Mike reported that there is a new check from the eBay sales, then Larry Hufnagel gave his report, but could not include the current bank statement. Mike made the motion to approve the payment to the church for the room rental. It will be done at the same level as last year since we did not receive any communication about the increase.

Committee reports

The Nominating Committee is late with preparing the list. The work started but they did not talk with everyone yet. The call is to step up and volunteer to run for the vice president and the recording secretary. Larry Hufnagel agreed to continue as the treasurer. Stuart Strickland volunteered to fill the slot for recording secretary. The full list and vote will be presented and done at the next meeting.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report on.

Old business

Corleen reported that members really stepped up with presentations and the slots were filled quickly for the whole year. The WPNS programs for year 2024/2025 have not been printed yet.

New business

Isabelo talked about Wayne Homren's early history of the WPNS club, in which Wayne talked about suspension of activities by the Society in 1889. Should this affect the year count? In our program, we print the number of years since establishment of the WPNS in 1878.

Since the last meeting two people formally expressed the will to join WPNS: Jeff Rose and John Flower. Since Jeff Rose was absent today, the members voted on the application of John Flower. John was asked to step out for a moment to give the members opportunity to have a secret vote. Votes were casted and then counted.

John Flower was accepted to WPNS unanimously. He was asked back to the room to be formally greeted as a new member of WPNS.

Gil Hunt reported on his most recent task of helping to dispose of 13 pounds of Canadian pennies, part of the estate liquidation of one of his clients. This started a lively discussion on challenges of such a task since American banks do not accept Canadian pennies and it is illegal [?] to take them to Canada through the border.

Dick Gaetano announced that Ben Costello is coming to the South Hills Coin Club to give the presentation on the shipwrecks of the treasure fleet.

After the business part of the meeting Larry Hufnagel gave the presentation, "Evolution of the United States Paper Money". This was followed by show & tell and conversations until 9:10 pm, when the meeting was adjourned.

Concluding of the meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Present: There were 13 members and guests in attendance.

Minutes submitted by Gosia Fort, Recording Secretary