Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee





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Public Meeting
Tuesday, March 23, 2010, 2:30 PM
United States Mint Headquarters
801 9th Street, NW, 5th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20001

In attendance:

John Alexander
Doreen Bolger (via telephone)
Michael Brown
Roger Burdette
Arthur Houghton
Gary Marks (Chairperson)
Rick Meier
Michael Olson
Mitch Sanders
Donald Scarinci
Heidi Wastweet

- 1. Chairperson Marks called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.
- 2. Director Edmund C. Moy administered an oath to new member Heidi Wastweet, presented out going member John Alexander with a certificate of distinguished public service, read a letter of thanks to former chairperson Mitch Sanders for his service as chairperson, and congratulated new chairperson Gary Marks.
- 3. Kaarina Budow of the United States Mint presented candidate reverse designs for the 2010 American Eagle Platinum Coin Program with the theme: *To Establish Justice*.
- 4. Committee members rated proposed designs by assigning 0, 1, 2, or 3 points to each, with higher points reflecting more favorable evaluations. With ten members present and voting, the maximum possible point total is 30 (Ms. Bolger had left the meeting).
- 5. The committee recommended design AEP-R-01, which features a blindfolded justice holding traditional scales and a laurel branch, with 27 points. The committee's second most preferred design was AEP-R-08, featuring the torch on the Statue of Liberty, which received seven points. The point totals for each design were:

AEP-R-01: 27 points AEP-R-02: 1 point AEP-R-03: 2 points AEP-R-04: 5 points AEP-R-05: 1 point AEP-R-06: 4 points AEP-R-07: 0 points AEP-R-08: 7 points AEP-R-09: 0 points

- 6. On a motion by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Meier, the committee voted 9-1 to recommend that the inscription "Justice, the Guardian of Liberty" appearing on the committee's recommended design, AEP-R-01, be changed to "To Establish Justice".
- 7. On a motion by Mr. Burdette, seconded by Ms. Wastweet, the committee voted unanimously to recommend that the scale's beam appearing in design AEP-R-01 be changed to be mechanically correct and to show the blindfolded justice holding the scale byway of a loop above the beam. The intent of the motion was to address concern that the justice is shown holding the beam of the scale without a pivot.
- 8. On a motion by Mr. Meier, seconded by Mr. Olson, the committee voted unanimously to proceed to drafting the committee's FY2009 Annual Report.
- 9. There being no further business, Chairperson Marks adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.