



## CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

801 9TH STREET, NW  
WASHINGTON, DC 20220

### Minutes of CCAC Public Meeting (Virtual) July 22, 2025 12:01 pm

#### **I. Attendance**

##### **a. Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) Members in Attendance (virtual):**

- Dr. Peter van Alfen (Chair)
- Arthur Bernstein
- Dr. Christopher Capozzola
- Dr. Harcourt Fuller
- Sam Gelberd
- Kellen Hoard
- Michael Moran
- Annelisa Purdie
- Jeanne Stevens-Sollman
- John Saunders
- Donald Scarinci

##### **b. United States Mint Officers and Staff in Attendance (virtual):**

- Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief, Office of Design Management
- Roger Vasquez, Senior Design Specialist, Office of Design Management
- Russ Evans, Design Manager, Office of Design Management
- Boneza Hanchock, Design Manager, Office of Design Management
- Sukrita Baijal, Design Manager, Office of Design Management
- Michael Costello, Manager, Design and Engraving
- Jennifer Warren, Director of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs and Liaison to the CCAC
- Greg Weinman, Acting Chief Counsel
- Dan Goldstein, Project Counsel for the Everett Alvarez Jr. Congressional Gold Medal

##### **c. Members of the Media in Attendance (virtual):**

- Sophia Mattimiro, Numismatic News
- Mike Unser, Coin News Media Group LLC
- Paul Gilkes, Coin World

#### **II. Minutes**

##### **a. Business Matters:**



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1. Chairperson van Alfen called the meeting to order at approximately 12:01 pm. Chairperson van Alfen conducted roll call and determined that quorum was met. Attendance of media and Mint staff were recognized.
  2. The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the April 15, 2025 public meeting. Arthur Bernstein made motion to approve. Harcourt Fuller seconded, and it passed unanimously by voice vote.
- b. Review and Discussion of the Candidate Designs of Everett Alvarez Jr. Congressional Gold Medal
1. Chairperson van Alfen made opening comments about Commander Everett Alvarez Jr. before moving to the discussion of the portfolio for the Congressional Gold Medal. Commander Alvarez Jr joined the meeting as the liaison.
  2. Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief of Design Management, provided background on the portfolio.
  3. The CCAC, the Mint staff, and stakeholders were then asked if there were any legal, technical, or other considerations.
  4. After asking Commander Alvarez to verify his preferences among the candidate designs, Donald Scarinci moved to unanimously approve Commander Alvarez's preferred designs, ALVA-O-2B and ALVA-R-5A, for CCAC recommendation. The motion was seconded by Michael Moran.
  5. In discussion of the motion, Arthur Bernstein proposed the friendly amendment to reduce the size of the "4" on candidate design ALVA-R-5A; the friendly amendment was accepted.
  6. In a voice vote, the CCAC voted unanimously to approve the motion.
  7. Chairperson van Alfen thanked Commander Alvarez for his attendance and comments, and for his service to the nation.
  8. A brief discussion followed between Chairperson van Alfen and Mint staff about the need to score the candidate designs for the Alvarez Congressional Gold Medal.
- c. Review and Discussion of the Candidate Designs of the 2026 FIFA World Cup Commemorative Coin Program
1. Chairperson van Alfen moved the discussion to the 2026 FIFA World Cup Commemorative Coin program that includes a gold, silver and clad coins pursuant to *P.L. 118-143*.



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2. Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief of Design Management, provided background on the portfolio and that the program is to have a shared reverse.
  3. Sullivan then invited the FIFA liaison John Rauber to address the committee.
  4. Following his comments, there was discussion between the committee members, Mint staff and Mr. Rauber about various aspects of the coin program and the inscriptions.
  5. Once this discussion concluded, Sullivan finished her introduction of the portfolio.
  6. Chairperson van Alfen then asked the CCAC, the Mint staff, and stakeholders if there were any further legal, technical, or other considerations.
  7. Discussion then ensued between members of the CCAC, the Mint staff and Mr. Rauber about the inscriptions and other aspects on the candidate designs.
  8. Chairperson van Alfen then invited each member of the CCAC to comment on the portfolio.
  9. Following each members' comments, there was discussion on how to score the portfolio. The members then scored the candidate designs.
  10. Greg Weinman then presented the scores.
  11. John Saunders moved to recommend the common reverse candidate Design Set 1A before considering the individual obverses. There was no second to this motion.
  12. Arthur Bernstein then moved to recommend those obverse and reverse candidate designs receiving the highest scores, namely obverse gold candidate design **FIFA-G-O-01**; obverse silver candidate design **FIFA-S-O-01**; obverse clad candidate design **FIFA-C-O-01**; and common reverse candidate **Design Set 1A**. Donald Scarinci seconded the motion.
  13. By voice vote the motion passed ten in favor and one opposed.
  14. Chairperson van Alfen then thanked Mr. Rauber for his attendance and comments.
- d. Discussion of the Report of the Numismatic Theme Working Group
1. Chairperson van Alfen then turned the meeting to hearing from the Chair of the Numismatic Theme Working Group, Art Bernstein.
  2. After thanking the other members of the Working Group, Arthur Bernstein presented the report on proposed themes.
  3. Chairperson van Alfen then opened the floor for discussion on the report.



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4. Donald Scarinci, John Saunders, Harcourt Fuller, Annelisa Purdie then offered a number of comments and suggestions.
5. Donald Scarinci moved to postpone approval of the report to a later CCAC meeting in order to allow for further emendations and revisions. There was no second to this motion.
6. Arthur Bernstein then moved to approve the report, with the correction of Sam Gelberd's name in the report. John Saunders seconded.
7. Following discussion on the procedures and timing of future reports, the CCAC voted unanimously by voice vote to approve the report. Chairperson van Alfen ended the discussion and asked for a motion to adjourn. Art Bernstein motioned to adjourn and Kellen Hoard seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 2:43 p.m.