



**CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

801 9TH STREET, NW  
WASHINGTON, DC 20220

**Minutes of CCAC Public Meeting (Virtual)  
November 18, 2025  
11:00 am**

**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 (arrived after rollcall)
- Annelisa Purdie
- Jeanne Stevens-Sollman
- John Saunders
- Donald Scarinci

**Not attending:**

- Michael Moran

**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
- Sukrita Baijal, Designer Manager, Office of Design Management
- Boneza Hanchock, Design Manager, Office of Design Management
- Michael Costello, Manager, Design and Engraving
- Joseph Menna, Chief Engraver
- Jennifer Warren, Director of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs and Liaison to the CCAC
- James Kennedy, Counsel to the CCAC

**c. Liaisons/stakeholders for the portfolios:**

- For the Shirley Chisholm Congressional Gold Medal:
  - Barbara Lee, Mayor of Oakland, CA and former Member of Congress
  - Barbara Bullard, President and CEO of the Shirley Chisholm Cultural Institute
- For the 2027 Native American \$1 coin:
  - Liz Lovejoy Brown, Director of the Dr. Susan La Flesche Picotte Center
- For the 2028 Native American \$1 coin:



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- Halena Kapuni-Reynolds, Associate Curator of the Native Hawaiian History and Culture at the National Museum of the American Indian

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

- Mike Unser, Founder and Editor, CoinNews
- Sophia Mattimiro, Senior Editor, Numismatic News
- Paul Gilkes, Senior Editor Coin World

## II. Minutes

### a. Business Matters:

1. Chairperson van Alfen called the meeting to order at approximately 11:00 am. 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 letters and minutes from the October 21, 2025 public meeting. Arthur Bernstein made the motion to approve Christopher Capozzola seconded, and it passed unanimously by voice vote.
3. Chairperson van Alfen made brief comments on several of the portfolios being reviewed during the meeting.

### b. Shirley Chisholm Congressional Gold Medal

1. The next order of business for the day was the discussion of the obverse and reverse portfolio for the Shirley Chisholm Congressional Gold Medal. The CCAC was joined by Barbara Lee and Barbara Bullard the liaison and stakeholders for this program.
2. Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief of Design Management, provided background on the portfolio.
3. The CCAC and the Mint staff were then asked if there were any legal, technical, or other considerations.
4. Several CCAC members raised questions about various aspects of the portfolio, including artistic considerations, which were answered by Mint staff.
5. Chairperson van Alfen then invited each member of the CCAC to comment on the portfolio.
6. Following comments from each member, Chairperson asked if there were any motions.
7. Arthur Bernstein made a motion to recommend obverse **SH-O-01** and reverse **SH-R-02**, both of which are the liaisons' preferred designs, but with the inscription "Act of Congress 2024" to be added on either the obverse or reverse at the discretion of the Mint.

In addition, the inscription “I am, and always will be a catalyst for change” on **SH-O-01** be replaced with Chisholm’s presidential campaign slogan “Unbought & Unbossed”. Harcourt Fuller seconded the motion.

8. A discussion then followed on the motion.
9. When the discussion had concluded, Chairperson van Alfen then called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed unanimously by vote. Chairperson van Alfen also asked that each member score the portfolio and send the scores to James Kennedy.

c. 2027 Native American \$1 Coin

1. The next order of business for the day was the discussion of the reverse portfolio for the 2027 Native American \$1 coin honoring Dr. Susan La Flesche Picotte. The CCAC was joined by Liz Lovejoy Brown, a stakeholder for this program.
2. Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief of Design Management, provided background on the portfolio.
3. The CCAC and the Mint staff were then asked if there were any legal, technical, or other considerations.
4. Several CCAC members raised questions about various aspects of the portfolio, including artistic considerations, which were answered by Mint staff.
5. Chairperson van Alfen then invited each member of the CCAC to comment on the portfolio.
6. Following comments from each member, Chairperson invited the CCAC to score the candidate designs, during which time there would be a short break.
7. On resumption of the meeting, Chairperson van Alfen invited James Kennedy to read the scores.
8. Chairperson van Alfen then asked the CCAC if there were any motions.
9. Kellen Hoard made the motion that the committee recommend reverse **27NA-1**, which had received the highest scores (21 out of a possible 30 points). Jeanne Stevens-Sollman seconded the motion.
10. A discussion then followed on the motion during which the liaison, Ms. Lovejoy Brown, noted that the depiction of the La Flesche Picotte on **27NA-1** was not accurate.
11. When the discussion had concluded, Chairperson van Alfen then called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed unanimously on voice vote, but with the additional recommendation that the portrait of La Flesche Picotte be modified for accuracy.



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d. 2028 Native American \$1 Coin

1. The next order of business for the day was the discussion of the reverse portfolio for the 2028 Native American \$1 coin recognizing the Native Hawaiian contribution of He'e Nalu, also known as surfing. The CCAC was joined by Halena Kapuni-Reynolds, a stakeholder for this program.
2. Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief of Design Management, provided background on the portfolio.
3. The CCAC and the Mint staff were then asked if there were any legal, technical, or other considerations.
4. Several CCAC members raised questions about various aspects of the portfolio, including legal and artistic considerations, which were answered by Mint staff.
5. Chairperson van Alfen then invited each member of the CCAC to comment on the portfolio.
6. Following comments from each member, Chairperson invited the CCAC to score the candidate designs, during which time there would be a short break.
7. On resumption of the meeting, Chairperson van Alfen invited James Kennedy to read the scores.
8. Chairperson van Alfen then asked the CCAC if there were any motions.
9. John Saunders made the motion that the committee recommend reverse **28NA-2**, which received the highest score (20 out of a possible 30 points). Sam Gelberd seconded the motion.
10. A brief discussion then followed on the motion.
11. When the discussion had concluded, Chairperson van Alfen then called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

e. Obverse of the 2027-2023 Youth American Sports Quarters and Paralympic Half-Dollars

1. The last order of business for the day was the discussion of the obverse designs of George Washington for the 2027-2030 Youth American Sports Quarters and obverse designs of John F. Kennedy for the 2027-2030 Paralympic Half Dollars.
2. Megan Sullivan, Acting Chief of Design Management, provided background on the portfolio.
3. The CCAC and the Mint staff were then asked if there were any legal, technical, or other considerations.



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4. Several CCAC members raised questions about various aspects of the portfolio, including artistic considerations, which were answered by Mint staff.
5. Chairperson van Alfen then invited each member of the CCAC to comment on the portfolio.
6. Following comments from each member, Chairperson invited the CCAC to score the candidate designs, during which time there would be a short break.
7. On resumption of the meeting, Chairperson van Alfen invited James Kennedy to read the scores.
8. Chairperson van Alfen then asked the CCAC if there were any motions.
9. Kellen Hoard made the motion that the committee recommend obverses **GW-01** and **JFK-02**, both of which received the highest scores (both 20 out of a possible 30 points). Arthur Bernstein seconded the motion.
10. A discussion then followed on the motion, during which Harcourt Fuller made the friendly amendment that the inscription “E PLURIBUS UNUM” on **JFK-02** be repositioned if the Mint could find a way to do so. This amendment was accepted by Kellen Hoard.
11. When the discussion had concluded, Chairperson van Alfen then called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed by voice vote with nine in favor and one abstaining.
12. Following a brief discussion between the CCAC and Mint staff, Chairperson van Alfen called for a motion to adjourn.
13. Arthur Berstein motioned to adjourn and Christopher Capozolla seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 3:42pm.