PCNS Minutes for September 23, 2026

The board meeting for September 23, 2026, was called to order via Zoom at 7:15 PM by President Jason Macario. In attendance were Vice President Bill Hyder, Treasurer Stephen Huston, Secretary Charlie Catlett, Governors Mike McDaniel, Jeff Pritchard, and Ed Treuting, John Duff, and Herb Miles.

The minutes for the August meeting were approved.

The August financial report was sent prior to the meeting and was briefly discussed.

Speakers are needed for November, December and into 2027.

Elections will be coming up in December. The board members were asked if they were willing to run for office again, and all were willing.

Papers from 2021-2026: a survey was sent to society members about the possibility of setting up these papers for print-on-demand versus having a digital copy available for self-printing. 60% of members responded. Based on the responses, it was moved, seconded and approved to provide a digital copy of each paper on our website, which anyone will be able to download and self-print.

New Business: none.

Adjournment 7:28 PM.

At 7:31 PM general meeting #1325 was called to order. Present in addition to the members from the board meeting via Zoom were Adrian Gonzalez-Salinas, Federico Castillo, Dean Neald, Doug Ward, Charlie Ludvic, and Scott Safe.

Speakers are needed for November, December, and into 2027.

We need a presentation contest judge for the 2026 contest- open to members who will have not given a presentation this year. Please let Jason/Stephen know if you are available.

Elections will be held in December, and members were asked to let us know if any would be willing to run for office.

The survey about possibly printing the 2021-2026 papers is in, and the board decision is to have each paper available on the web for self-printing.

The London Corresponding Society and Member Conder Tokens

By John Duff

John loves Conder tokens! The London Corresponding Society (hereafter referred to as LCS) started producing tokens in 1792, during a busy time in world history. There were some societies that preceded it, starting in 1769. Thomas Hardy started the LCS with an interest in Parliamentary reform. There were many notable people associated with it, many of them ending up being persecuted by the British government- often repeatedly. Dalton and Hamer wrote the standard reference to Conder Tokens and included seven sections on LCS members who produced their own tokens (like Thomas Spence and John Horne Took).

John showed the first token produced by the LCS and went on to discuss many others, and some produced by individual LCS members- including the history behind each token. There was some discussion after John's talk, and it will be available for viewing on the Society's YouTube webpage.

Member Exhibits:

Charlie showed his most recent Thomas Spence acquisition, featuring two fighting scenes: a press gang on the obverse, and boxer Daniel Mendoza in action on the reverse. He also showed several examples of abolitionist Conder tokens as well as one from the U.S.

Bill proudly showed off his two purchases from his visit to the A.N.A. World's Fair of Money in Pittsburgh: two Heidi Wastweet medals- one by the Medal Collectors of America, one an A.N.A. medal.

Doug showed us an intriguing Somerset Bath penny token obtained at a Long Beach show.

Mike M displayed another rare Oaxaca 8 reales coin from 1861 with an unusual design element. It is unlisted but has been confirmed as authentic.

The general meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM. The next meeting will be October 28, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Catlett, Secretary PCNS