

Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

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Public Meeting
Tuesday, January 26 2010, 9:00 AM
United States Mint Headquarters
801 9th Street, NW, 5th Floor
Washington, DC 20001

In attendance:

John Alexander
Doreen Bolger (via telephone)
Michael Brown (via telephone)
Roger Burdette
Arthur Houghton
Gary Marks
Rick Meier
Michael Olson
Mitch Sanders (Member Liaison)
Donald Scarinci
Joe Winter

1. The member liaison called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.
2. Kaarina Budow of the United States Mint presented candidate designs for the 2011 issues of the America the Beautiful Quarters program. As part of this program, the United States Mint will mint and issue 56 circulating quarter-dollar coins with reverse designs emblematic of a national park or other national site in each state and territory. Quarters will be issued sequentially in the order in which the featured sites were established as national sites.
3. Ms Budow explained that the United States Mint works with Superintendents' offices with respect to guidance on appropriate images and source materials for artists.
4. Committee members rated proposed designs by assigning 0, 1, 2, or 3 points to each, with higher points reflecting more favorable evaluations. With eleven members present and voting, the maximum possible point total is 33.
5. There was extensive discussion about the coin representing Gettysburg National Military Park in Pennsylvania. Mr. Burdette and several other members suggested that rather than representing a single location or monument, the coin should convey the importance of the Battle of Gettysburg and its place in our nation's history.
6. For Pennsylvania, the committee's recommended design is PA-02, which features the 72nd Pennsylvania Infantry Monument. However, support for this design was

- limited, with only 12 points out of a maximum possible total of 30. The committee's second most preferred design was PA-04, featuring the Lincoln Speech Memorial, which received three points.
7. On a motion by Mr. Burdette, seconded by Mr. Scarinci, the committee voted 7-2 to encourage the Mint to consider soliciting additional designs, perhaps more symbolic in nature, to convey the importance of Gettysburg National Military Park to our nation.
 8. For the coin portraying Glacier National Park in Montana, the committee unanimously recommended design MT-03, which portrays a mountain goat over the rocky slopes of the park's high country. Mr. Marks spoke passionately in favor of design MT-03, and committee members were quite enthusiastic about the combination of an iconic mountain goat with the grandeur of the mountains. There was a consensus that this design would translate into a very appealing coin.
 9. For Montana, design MT-03 received the maximum possible point total of 33 points. Design MT-01, featuring the north slope of Mount Reynolds, was a distant second, with four points
 10. For the coin portraying Olympic National Park in Washington, the committee unanimously recommended design WA-01, which features a Roosevelt elk with a view of Mount Olympus in the background. Once again the committee found the combination of the park's wildlife and scenery to be especially compelling.
 11. For Washington, Design WA-01 received the maximum possible total of 33 points. Design WA-02, portraying Sea Stack, received 10 points.
 12. For the coin portraying Vicksburg National Military Park in Mississippi, the committee strongly recommended design MS-02, which carries an image of the U.S.S. Cairo on the Mississippi River as it would have appeared during the Civil War. Members felt that this design, in addition to the quality of its composition, has the virtue of showcasing the historical significance of the Navy in the Civil War.
 13. Members also commented on the artistic boldness of the Mississippi African-American Monument on design MS-01, but considered the subject matter of MS-02 to be more historically appropriate.
 14. For Mississippi, Design MS-02 received 27 points out of a maximum possible total of 30. Design MS-01 received 12 points.
 15. For the coin portraying Chickasaw National Recreation Area in Oklahoma, the committee recommended design OK-01, which features Buffalo Springs amid its stone spillway. Members generally appreciated the perspective and composition of this design, particularly the foreground foliage. However, some members were concerned that the human figure would be so small as to be indistinct on the small scale of a coin.
 16. For Oklahoma, design OK-01 received 19 of a possible 30 points. Design OK-02, which shows the Lincoln Bridge, received 11 points.
 17. There being no further business, the Member Liaison adjourned the meeting at noon.