

**HIDALGO COIN CLUB MINUTES**  
**August 10, 2015**

The Hidalgo Coin Club meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by club president, Raul Gonzalez followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The general membership count was 117 with 46 members attending with 7 visitors. Seven (7) door prizes were given out.

President Raul Gonzalez announced that the gold coins drawing tickets for our fall show are available for purchase. The price is 2 dollars per ticket or 40 dollars for a book of twenty tickets. He reminded the membership that Hidalgo Coin Club members are able to purchase a book of tickets for 35 dollars, for a savings of 5 dollars per book. The prizes are as follows 1. 1/10 oz. Gold Am. Eagle , 2. Mexican Cinco (\$5) Pesos 3. 1/4 oz. Gold Am. Eagle and the Grand Prize is a 1927 \$20 Gold Double Eagle St. Gaudens. He reminded everyone that our fall show will be held October 31 and November 1<sup>st</sup> . He also reminded everyone that our winter show will be the week of Jan 30 & 31<sup>st</sup> and that we would not be in conflict with Super Bowl weekend. He also discussed the Friday night show of August 14th He thanked Brent Garza for the text blast and Rene De La Garza for the newspaper articles.

Vice-President Douglas Jenkins reported that the youth group will meet at the Lark Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays between 2:00p-5:00p.m. The next meeting is August 15, 2015. This meeting will be the final meeting of 2015. Donations are needed for both clubs in the way of red books/2006 till now, foreign coins, folders, album, magazines, etc for collectors.

The secretary's reports may be viewed online at [www.hidalgocoinclub.com](http://www.hidalgocoinclub.com).

The treasurer's report of last month's balance was \$5,319.07 after expenses; deposit was made of \$1,745.50 for new memberships, Friday night table and meeting auctions, raffle ticket sales and D.. Morton's refunds. Payments were made for \$93.00 for storage unit rental, 60.54 for dealer packets postage,300.00 for cash refunds for fake coins.

Current Balance of \$6,611.03

Historian report: plan for record/photos/video keeping etc

Show Chairman's report: Rene De La Garza reminded dealer to reserve their spot for the fall show as it is on a first come first serve basis and that no table would be saved. He also reminded dealers to sign up for our Friday night mini show.

Old Business: Raul Gonzalez announced that Monday night was the last time the coin club will be mentioning the counterfeit Morgan dollars that were sold from Jan to June 2015. If you think you might have bought some during that period of time, you can still bring them in for inspection at the Friday Night Show or any meeting. We're just not going to keep announcing it. The dealer that sold them has been very cooperative with returning the money to the customers that bought some. All refunds have been delivered to the affected buyers.

New Business:

#### YOUTH CLUB COIN DESIGN CONTEST RESULTS

9 new coin designs were shown on a projector screen designed by the students and adults from the Hidalgo 'Youth' Coin Club. The members and guests attending the meeting scored the coins. Raul Gonzalez and Lamar Garza tallied the scoring and the results were as follows

#### Student Category

1ST PLACE- AMERIGO VESPUCCI - Designed by Christian Navejar - won a Gold Dos Pesos

2ND PLACE - J. ROBERT OPPENHEIMER - Designed by Cameron Williams - won a 1/2 Gram Gold Bar

3RD PLACE - 2ND AMENDMENT - Designed by Anthony Gutierrez - won a 2015 American Silver Eagle

4TH PLACE - CAPTAIN AMERICA - Designed by J. D. Navarro - won a 10 Gram Silver Bar

5TH PLACE - B.B. KING - Designed by Bruce Ballesteros - won a 1968 Mexico Olympic Coin

#### Adult Category

1ST PLACE - DEFENDING THE CONSTITUTION - Designed by Mark Navarro - won a 1/2 Gram Gold Bar

2ND PLACE - REPUBLIC OF TEXAS - Designed by Chris Jackson - won a 2015 American Silver Eagle

3RD PLACE - CESAR CHAVEZ - Designed by Edgar Navejar - won a Proof 1982 Geo. Washington Commemorative

4TH PLACE - ALANIZ RANCH - Designed by Mike Alaniz - won a 10 Gram Silver Bar

Congratulations to all that participated!

Open Discussion: None

The meeting continued with the coin auction with over 60 lots being auctioned off. The auctioneer for the night was James Dunn with Brent Garza and Rene De La Garza serving as the money runners. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. by the president, Raul Gonzalez.

Next Meeting September 14, 2015

Next council meeting September 10, 2015

Submitted by Secretary Rene De La Garza