

Minutes
Hamilton Township Philatelic Society
Hamilton Township Free Public Library
Hamilton, New Jersey
May 16, 2017

The May 2017 meeting of the Hamilton Township Philatelic Society was called to order by President Milton Keiles at 7:16pm with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance. There were approximately 20 members, Ken Kamholz, our guest speaker, in attendance.

Officers Reports

Treasurer Dr. Ronald Gonzalez stated that there is \$3,147.84 in the Treasury. Jeff Boyarsky made a motion to accept the report and Bob Holmes seconded the motion.

The Minutes from the previous month's meeting are never read unless specially requested. The minutes are posted at the meeting and can also be read on our website. Dennis Kennedy made a motion to accept the minutes and Tony Zingale seconded the motion.

Visitors/New Member

Last month's visitor, George Wagner returned and has joined the Society. Ryan Terlecky, stamp dealer and Bordentown Bourse show organizer has also decided to join.

Election

Dennis Kennedy was unanimously elected President by all members in attendance.

Jeff Boyarsky was unanimously elected Vice President by all members in attendance.

The Secretary position is now vacant. No one volunteered to run for the position.

Dr. Ronald Gonzalez was unanimously reelected Treasurer by all members in attendance.

Old and New Business

President Kennedy advised the membership of the overwhelming success of the Cranbury Library Stamp Evaluation. Apparently there were at least 15 people waiting to have their collections evaluated before the actual start time. Dennis stated that the best collection that he saw that day was a Vatican collection from 1929 to 1972. Don Getzin evaluated a US Plate Block collection that included a complete set of Prexie Plates including the \$5 Coolidge plate. Andrew Boyajian noted that most of the collections that he had looked at were inherited with damaged and stained stamps. All HTPS members who participated in this endeavor enjoyed themselves and agreed that we should think about doing this again. The Cranbury Library was pleased with the results and has asked us/Dennis to come back to do it again. President Kennedy further informed us that the Cranbury Library had well publicized our impending visit via mass emailing and it also helped that it was Garage Day in Cranbury. President Kennedy and his Stamp Evaluation team are now considering other locations and will advise us when they find a suitable location and date.

Andrew Boyajian formally thanked President Kennedy for thinking up this idea and for making it happen. All HTPS members concurred with Mr. Boyajian and applauded President Kennedy's for his hard work in this endeavor.

Vice President Boyarsky advised all in attendance to expect information from him on the American Philatelic Society Ambassadorship program in which he is one of the charter and key members of this new APS program.

50/50

Ken Smith won again. \$21 for the first 50/50.

Robin Rowan won \$6 for the second drawing.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30pm after the talk by Ken Kamholz. I do not believe that there was any sort of formal motion to adjourn the meeting.

Talk

Ken Kamholz provided us a presentation on the complexities of creating and printing a philatelic journal on Japanese Philately. He also handed out copies of his splendidly designed and beautifully printed **Japanese Philately** journal to everyone attending the meeting. Ken's talk ended around 8:25PM. President Keiles presented Mr. Kamholz with a HTPS Certificate of Appreciation which was designed and printed by HTPS member Jim Cope.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on June 20, 2017.

PLEASE NOTE:

These are the final Minutes that will be submitted by

Edward Murtha

Secretary

Someone may want to look at the April 18, 2017 Minutes and decide if there is any merit to follow up on any of the outstanding topics that were discussed during the April meeting at the next meeting.