Minutes of the San Jose Stamp Club Meeting on 2 May 2018

<u>Present</u>: Brian Jones (President), David Occhipinti (Vice-President), Stanley Flowerdew (Secretary), Richard Clever (Treasurer), Jim Steinwinder, Jim Sauer, special guests John Drew and Barry Cousins and seven other SJSC members

Brian called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

Announcements

- The Sacramento Stamp Fair will be on 2nd and 3rd of June at the Scottish Rite Center at 6151 H Street, Sacramento.
- The Three Dealer Stamp Show will be on 23rd and 24th of June at the Biltmore Hotel in Santa Clara.
- The Great America Stamp Expo will be on 8th and 9th September at Napredak Hall.
- Kristin Patterson's exhibit "The Story of the US Playing Card Company" received a Large Silver Award in the 2018 WESTPEX Palmares.
- At WESTPEX, John Drew was presented with an APS Nicholas Carter Volunteer Recognition Award for his many years of service to the Western Cover Society.
- Jim Steinwinder received an award from the APS for authoring the outstanding SJSC newsletter.
- There is a write-up by Scott English in the May edition of the American Philatelist (AP) which describes the club having four members of the YPLF with leadership roles for the 2018 FF.
- Brian talked to Greg Goia's brother Dana who is currently a UCLA professor and the California Poet Laureate. He also was on the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee (CSAC) and will give a presentation at a SJSC meeting on his CSAC activities.
- David Occhipinti discussed and passed around the room several covers that he purchased at WESTPEX. Some of them were SJSC related.

Evening's Program

John Drew (a 75 year member of the SJSC) gave an excellent presentation on covers mailed in 1848 and 1849 from Coloma, California where gold was first discovered during the California Gold Rush in 1849.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Stanley J. Flowerdew, Secretary