

Minutes of the San Jose Stamp Club Meeting on 16 January 2019

Present: Brian Jones (President), David Occhipinti (Vice President), Stanley Flowerdew (Secretary), Jim Steinwinder (Treasurer), Andy Hilton, Jim Sauer (Past President) and one other club member.

Brian called the meeting to order at 7:12pm.

Announcements

The APS will hold its Spring meeting in 2020 at WESTPEX. The APS is transitioning from its annual stand-alone Ameristamp Expo winter show to an annual Spring meeting that will take place in conjunction with an APS World Series of Philately show.

Club dues notices are being mailed to club members who have not yet paid their dues for 2019.

Jim Steinwinder has found a local Chinese church that might be willing to store the club's storage container which is currently at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds and has to be emptied and moved to another location by 30 June 2019.

On 27th January 2019, the U.S. postage rate for first class mail increased to 55 cents.

2019 Filatelic Fiesta (FF)

There are several openings for key positions in the 2019 FF partially due to several 2018 Filatelic Fiesta officers moving out of California. Andy Hilton will be handling the bourse at the 2019 FF. George Leslie will train Andy. Please volunteer for the other open FF positions including exhibits, awards, facilities and marketing if you are interested. The Elks Club has significantly increased their charges for the 2019 FF. To pay for the increased charges in 2019, FF is considering several possibilities including increasing dealer bourse fees, reducing costs for food purchases etc.

Special Program

Brian Jones displayed his collection of U.S. stamps using a camera and video display provided by Jim Steinwinder. Based on the success of Brian's presentation, other club members volunteered to present their stamp collections using similar techniques at future club meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Flowerdew, Secretary