

**ELK GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2014**

**Board Members and Guests Present:** Sally Bergen, Diane Borden, Barbara Claire, Annaclare and Jim Entrican, Jeanette Lawson, Rich Lozano, Brookelea Lutton, Milt Webb.

**Call to order:** Barbara Claire (President): The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Claire.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Announcements:**

Happy New Year!

Thanks to the docents who helped us start our Old Fashioned Christmas and everyone who helped take it down. Thanks to Jim and crew for cutting down all the roses for winter. Congratulations to Rich Lozano – CSD Board President.

**Approval of Minutes:** December 9, 2013--Diane Borden (Recording Secretary):

It was moved by Sally Bergen and seconded by Jeanette Lawson to accept the minutes of the December 9, 2013 Board Meeting (sent to Board for review) as submitted. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report/Bills--Jeanette Lawson (Treasurer):**

Rhoads School Fundraiser:

Scholarships:     \$2,685

Fence:                     660

Total Received:   \$3,345

Old Fashioned Christmas:

Income             \$ 8,502.21

Expenses     -     ~   4,500.00

Net:                 ~ \$4,000.00

## Bills:

Jeanette presented the following bills for approval:

To SMUD \$360.69

To Sally Bergen for printer ink \$56.16 (no receipt)

To Jim Entrican \$230.61 for purchase of a heater for outside and paper.

It was moved by Diane Borden and seconded by Sally Bergen to approve payment for all of the above. Motion carried.

Jeanette said the vacuum we currently have does not work well and we need a new one. She recommended we purchase a Hoover canister type for \$263.01 available on Amazon.com. It was moved by Jim Entrican and seconded by Brookelea to approve. Motion carried. We can put the old vacuums in the yard sale.

Jeanette noted that there is currently over \$5,000 in the Rhoads School account. It was moved by Sally Bergen and seconded by Brookelea Lutton to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion carried.

## **Committee Reports:**

### By-Laws--Dennis Buscher:

Dennis was not in attendance but he expects the by-law committee will meet soon.

### New Railroad Display for 2014—Dennis Buscher:

Per Dennis, there will be 3 speakers at the General Meeting on January 20<sup>th</sup> and the display will be ready (setting up on Wednesday). There will also be pictures from the Elk Grove Railroad Station that was torn down.

### Docents—Mary Bulford & Annaclare Entrican

In Mary's absence, Barbara passed around a sign-up sheet for the February 1<sup>st</sup> opening. She is also updating the Docent Handbook.

### Membership—Lorraine Croup:

In Lorraine's absence, it was reported that she has received some new applications for membership. Also, her sister Lucille Christesen has been in the hospital, but is expected to come home today.

### Newsletter—Jan-Feb—Brookelea Lutton:

Brookelea needs input for the March/April edition by February 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Old Fashioned Christmas--Jeanette Lawson:

This event was a big success. Jeanette reported that approximately 912 attended and there was more income from the pictures with Santa.

She also announced that the Haunted House planning meeting is scheduled for February 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM to go over a tentative budget and assignments.

### Policy & Procedure Committee--Brookelea Lutton:

A meeting is set for this Friday for the committee to resume their review.

### Programs for General Meeting—January 20, 2014—Position open:

Since no one has volunteered for this position, Jim suggested we ask the officers to be responsible on a rotating basis. Brookelea agreed to contact the Governor's Mansion and plan a tour for the meeting in February. Other suggestions included a tour of the underground streets in Old Sac and the Alleghany Underground Gold Miners Museum.

### Publishing

Barbara is in the process of researching the Elk Grove House for a possible Booklet, and updating the Self Guided Tour Booklet and Docent Information Packet.

### Rhoads School – Merry Leverton:

In Merry's absence, Jim reported that the Boy Scouts would be able to start working on the fence during Spring break.

### Spring Tea Committee (May 10, 2014)--Sally Bergen:

Sally handed out a synopsis (attached) of the planning meeting she held, including an estimate of income and expenses, which will be finalized by the next Board Meeting. The Theme is "All That Jazz!" with 30s and 40s era music and decorations. She would appreciate any additional support/help where needed for the various categories. She also passed around a list of potential donors and asked for help in soliciting items for the raffle and silent auction. Entertainment will be Maria Behm (vocalist) and local high school jazz bands are being researched.

Sally suggested that we raise the ticket price from \$30 to \$35. After discussion, the Board gave approval.

Jim reported that he is working with CSD to get the lawn reseeded in February. If we are able to do this, no one will be able to walk on it until May 1<sup>st</sup>. They will also trim some of tree limbs.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2014 at 3 PM.

## **Unfinished Business:**

### Foulks House Restoration and Storage Shed—Jim Entrican:

Jim reported quotes have been received for both and he discussed some options. He will have more to report at the next meeting. CSD is being kept informed of our efforts.

### Security System--Jim Entrican:

Jim reported that Stanley Security Solutions informed him that the panel would need to be totally replaced. Jim recommended that we make a change to Tyco Integrated Security and he will attempt to negotiate a lower monthly service cost. It was moved by Jeanette Lawson and seconded by Sally Bergen to proceed. Motion carried. Funding will come out of the Wightman Fund and Jim will work with the company to get the system installed as soon as possible.

### Chamber Membership – Picture trade for membership dues.

Barbara put together a pdf. file of photos for the Chamber to choose from in trade for a membership. Brookelea said they are still reviewing it.

### Unfilled Positions:

Program Chair will be rotated among the officers until someone volunteers for the position.

Publicity Chair is still a critical need.

## **New Business:**

Web site changes: Barbara made some changes based on feedback she has received and she is looking at options to have a shopping cart function included.

CSD help with insurance costs and reseeding the lawn has been requested.

Front porch repair: There is dry rot under the porch and some of the boards are not in good condition near the rail. Jim suggested this could be a Boy Scout project.

Review Event Schedule for 2014:

Elk Grove Town Planner – is out, our events are listed.

1. Feb 1 – Opening for 2014, RR Display, updated self-guided tour booklet
2. March 1 – Open for tours
3. April 5 – open for tours
4. May 3 – open for tours
5. May 10 – Spring Tea
6. June 7 – Open for tours
7. July 5 – open for tours
8. August 1, 2, 2 – Yard sale
9. September 6 – open for tours

10. September 20 – Antique & Craft Show
11. October – Haunted Stage Stop
12. December – Old Fashioned Christmas

Sally Bergen requested that the Whitlock Interchange issue is included in future agenda so that we can stay apprised. Our concern is any plan to take Heritage Park property and property in the Park. Rich said CSD is involved and he will share any information he gets with us.

**Upcoming Events:**

- January 20: General Meeting, 6:30 PM, Museum. Railway & Locomotive Historical Society.
- February 10: Board Meeting, 4 PM, Museum
- February 17 – General Meeting
- March 19 – Board Meeting, 4 PM Museum

The meeting was adjourned by President Barbara Claire at 5:40 PM

Submitted by:

Diane Borden,

Recording Secretary