

Elk Grove Historical Society - Minutes

Date: August 24, 1986 Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: Fales' Houseboat - Somewhere on the Delta

Present: Pat (Braziel) Martin, Jim Fales, T. J. Harmon, Sophia Scherman and Joan Rives

Minutes of June 29th meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report: A little income, a little outgo - much the same as last month. Account and safe deposit box closed at Sacramento Savings and opened at El Dorado Savings with additional account for deposit of interest. Received a check for \$1,108.01 to complete balance of grant monies to \$20,000 from Sacramento County.

Old Business: The treasurer completed a cost study for the fiscal year 1985, with an actual cost of \$4.92 per member. However, since insurance costs have tripled since last year, in addition to other rising costs, the board recommended the following increase in dues: Seniors \$5.00, Students \$5.00, Regular dues \$10.00, Family \$15.00 and Lifetime to \$250.00. Business and Library will remain at \$7.50. This is the amount to break even. A motion was made to 1. Amend the dues structure to the recommended increase and 2. To change the By-Laws to have the dues structure for future dues to be at the discretion of the board to reflect the cost of operation. Motion seconded and carried. To increase revenue and cut costs the following suggestions were made: 1. To have a membership drive chairman. 2. To place flyers or pamphlets in the Chamber office. 3. Publicize that we are a whole family organization. 4. To have an emblem or logo as a publicity medium, with a contest of a cash award of \$100.00. 5. To consolidate the newsletter to one page, eliminate the renewal of membership section except for brand new members. The newsletter will continue to be mailed on a monthly basis to keep members informed.

The December meeting will be a Historical Open House tour with the change of officers and awards presentation moved to the January meeting. It was agreed that a night tour with all the Christmas lights would be best. Houses suggested for the tour were the following: Gage, Penny, Polhemus, Fitch, Markhofer with commercial properties of Teshera and Pioneer.

Our Society has joined the California Conference of Historical Societies.

The post office has a change in regulations for bulk mailing.

Mystery trip - 17 people signed to date - need to get more people.

Hotel Site Report: The last of the barn has been moved. The County has repaired the watering system and put in new windows and a metal security door in the jail.. They have been very helpful and are anxious to have the site look good. Report was made that the final plans have been approved by the County. Board was hopeful that at least the basement could be completed before the rains begin. Bob Edwards of the Fire department gave us the information that any building over 5000 sq. ft. needs sprinklers. Approximate cost of \$5,000. to \$10,000. The building plans do not need to show these upon beginning of construction as long as sprinkler plans are submitted to fire department when needed.

Planned Activities:

September -	Tour of Proul Piano Company
October-	Halloween Party at Carl & Joyce Admunsons
November -	Tour of Sacramento Historical Museum
December -	Christmas House Tour
January -	Change of Officers and Awards presentation
February -	February 6th - Wine tasting at Pavillion.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Joan Rives