

Elk Grove Historical Society Board Meeting

February 12, 2018

Call to Order/Roll Call: Pres.-Ken Miller, 1st VP-Tim Knox, 2nd VP-Dennis Buscher, Recording Sec.-Carol Dunkel, Corresponding Sec.-Cindy Mahon, Treasurer-Jeanette Lawson, Rhoads School Director-Roberta Tanner, Webmaster-Louis Silveira, Facilities Director-Jim Entrican

Approval of Agenda: added under New Business, Yard Sale and Western Festival, Dennis Buscher made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Roberta Tanner made the second to the motion. The agenda as adopted.

Approval of Minutes: The Jan. 8, 2018 Minutes sent to the Board, were approved with a modification of the CSD report, stating "Windows for Rhoads School have been ordered" not in. Discussion followed that even that was not the situation. The new windows for Rhoads School will be included in the new fiscal year budget, which begins July 1.

Public Comment: none

Presentations: Louis Silveira played a 3 minute Pod Cast by a great-granddaughter of Jared Sheldon, talking about the gristmill Sheldon had built on the Consumnes River and that the mill wheels are cemented on his grave and not the ones at Sutter's Fort.

Treasurer's Report/Bills: See Treasurer's Report in Minutes. Jeanette would like to put the \$800 from the Para Normal event into the "Donations" account. She was asked what funds go into the Operations Account? Jeanette answered that the Tea and Christmas funds go into Operations.

Bills: #1 \$359.88 for Go Daddy yearly Web site and security.

#2 \$380.40 for Sign Center for signs.

#3 \$787.00 Accounting for Taxes

#4 \$1139.40 All West Bus for bus trip (checks have been turned in to cover the bus cost).

Jim Entrican made the motion to accept the Treasure's Report and pay bills as presented. Dennis Buscher made the second to the motion. The motion passed.

There is \$188 from the donations jar from the Santa Photo Shop that we give to Chicks In Crisis. Jim commented that they have a mini-bus that they would be willing to loan to us on special occasions, we may want to up the donation to \$200. Dennis Buscher made the motion to increase the donation to \$200. Tim Knox made the second to the motion. The motion passed.

There was a discussion concerning who might be qualified to drive the mini-bus.

Appointments: Confirm Committee Chair persons. See list handout. Seeking interested people to chair vacant committees.

Rhoads School Update: Roberta Tanner-We cleaned the school on Jan.29. We are seeking a new 31 Star Flag for the school. We appreciate the new CSD signs that include directions to Rhoads School. Sharon

Baker the former Rhoads School Director is selling their Elk Grove home and moving. Jim Entrican announced that John Ross has been appointed the Facilities Manager for Rhoads School.

CSD Update: Jim Luttrell-Rhoads School windows restoration have gone out for three bids for the July Budget.

Facilities Manager Report: Jim Entrican

Tent Purchase Plan Proposal-Jim said he had gone to Ceres to look at the product and had brochures for the tents. We need a 20' X 40' tent, Jim is suggesting that we purchase 2 20' X 20' tents that can be assembled as one tent. The cost is \$5,500 including taxes. We may want to sell our old tents, private parties may use them but organizations such as ours must meet fire codes. Dennis Buscher made the motion to purchase the 2 20'X 20' tents. Cindy Mahon made the second to the motion. The motion passed.

Option to enclose patio-Jeanette will bring a proposal.

Foulks House Update-Jim is meeting with the electrician tomorrow to see if wiring can be hidden so that we don't have to go back to revise the architectural plans. Elk Grove does not have a Preservation Committee to help support our restoration efforts to the 1853 building. We don't need a new roof. The outside siding lumber can be milled by Burnette Milling.

Unfinished (old) Business:

- Discuss and adopt budget for 2018-The revised Budget passed out at the meeting was discussed based on our Short Term Goals for 2018, which were prioritized at the Board Workshop. See handout in minutes. Dennis Buscher made the motion to adopt the 2018 Budget using our Short and Long Term Goals. Tim Knox made the second to the motion. The motion passed.
- Wedding Pictures/Events Contract review: Sandra Robinson and Monica Ross- after studying the cost of hosting other events in the Elk Grove area they are proposing a non-member fee of \$150 per hour for a minimum of two hours. They will make arrangements for tables, chairs, and clean up. For Historical Society members they are proposing a fee of \$50 per hour. The member would be responsible for tables, chairs, clean up. Sandra and Monica would not be involved. There was a discussion about the \$50 per hour fee being too low. For a non-member event they propose that the Historical Society would get \$75 per hour and Sandra and Monica would share the other \$75 per hour. Any event of more than \$500, they would like a proposal for profit sharing. They say their goal is two pronged, one is income for the facilities and two is to promote awareness of the Historical Society and its facilities. They were asked to write a contract/proposal to be sent via email to the Board members to facilitate this process.
- Revolutionary War Encampment: Jim Entrican and Ken Miller- Jim and Ken attended a CSD Board meeting to discuss the problem we are facing from the City Council about "firing bullet-less gunpowder" although CSD is in charge of the park, it is within the Elk Grove city limits so the city's ordinances apply, this will also affect the Western Festival. We will continue efforts to resolve this problem for next year.

- Paranormal Recordings Feb. 10-the Historical was paid \$800, they may want to come back next year.
- Adopt Goals for 2018 discussed at Workshop held Jan. 16, 2018. Adopted with the budget.
- Lyon Real Estate\$5,000 Grant, Rhonda Lim: Cindy Mahon and Sally Bergan- grant must be written to show how we educate the community.
- Wightman Fund Donation/Reese School Concept: Dennis Buscher/Jeanette Lawson-short term goal to begin the restoration plan this year using \$25,000 as needed.
- Newsletter in 2018-Louis still checking to see how many members have email he thinks there are 216 people who don't have email. He would like to continue sending the newsletter by postal mail, he feels there are too many older members who don't use email.

New Business

- Big Day of Giving, May 3, 2018: Dennis Buscher-He and Louis have been going to workshops.
- Yard Sale: Dennis Buser, Lorraine Croup, Sally Bergan-want to rent a storage container to store the donated items. Want to publish collection dates in newsletter. Could use a dumpster to clean up current debris around the property and to hold discards from yard sale donations.
- Western Festival: Jim Entrican-
- Table Top Times ads: Dennis Buscher- he passed around ads to show ideas.

Committee Reports

- Membership: Lorraine Croup-no new members
- Historic Bus Tours: Carol Dunkel- Lorraine has checks from 32 people and 3 more who have made requests. The beer tasting tour will cost \$10 per person extra for those who wish to do that part of the tour of the Sierra Nevada Brewing Company. Others may take the self-guided tour.
- Newsletter: Louis Silveira- discussed in old business.
- Webmaster update: Louis Silveira-he is still looking for someone willing to help him with website design issues.
- Programs for General meetings in February and March: Tim Knox-For February we will have Kevin Knauss discuss "Hidden History Beneath Folsom Lake", for March Roberta Tanner will have an Historic Hats Fashion Show.
- Brown Property update: Dennis Buscher-on hold
- Spring Tea Update: Susan Hernandez- had a lovely display of all the different forms, posters, invitations, tickets, that had been designed by Barbara Clair. This year's theme is Heritage Garden Spring Tea. It will be held Saturday, May 12, beginning at 12:00 PM. Tickets are \$40 per person. This year individuals will volunteer to decorate a table based on the theme.
- Grant Information/Distribution: Sally Bergen-passed out donation possibilities for the Spring Tea asking members to select who they will ask for a donation, she does not want duplicate requests. Vintage Trailer Show got a grant for \$1500. Sally has requested \$1,000 for the Spring Tea. Requested a storage container for the yard sale.

- Policies and Procedures: Sally Bergen- she went through the changes she and her committee proposed based on the actions of the Board last year. Dennis Buscher made the motion to adopt the changes with the exception of page 12 section 5 and support for 19 on hold. Tim Knox made the second to the motion. The adoption of the amended Policies and Procedures document passed.

Communications/Correspondence

Dennis and Jim met with a committee from the Sanitation department to give them advice for restoring a ranch property that they own for educational and public use.

Adjourn

Dennis Buscher made the motion to adjourn. Carol Dunkel made the second to the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.