

## Elk Grove Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**March 14, 2022**

Board Members Present/Absent

Name	P	A	Name	P	A
President Ken Miller	x		Rhoads School Bd. Dr. Roberta Tanner	x	
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President Rosemarie Miller	x		Corresponding Secretary - vacant		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Dennis Buscher		x	Treasurer Jeanette Lawson	x	
Recording Secretary Pam Phelps	x		Facilities Director David Chalmers	x	
Webmaster Louis Silveira	x				

Members attending: Dee Janey, Annaclare Entrican, John Frassetto, Susan Sayner, Pat Lake, Susan Hernandez, Jim Pollick, Dave Minister, and Cindy Mahon.

Meeting called to order at 3:08 PM by President Ken Miller.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Pam Phelps to approve the agenda as amended for Closed Session with a second by Jeanette Lawson. Motion passed with 7 votes.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Jeanette Lawson to approve the minutes of 2/14/22 as submitted with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

**Public Comment:** None

**Presentations:** President Ken Miller announced that the appointment to fill the vacant Corresponding Secretary position will be presented to the members at the General Session meeting on March 21 for their approval.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jeanette reported two large expenditures to be added to the report this month. One for \$800 for Past Perfect and the other \$541 for a laptop. A partial payment of \$2240 was made for the wallpaper going in to the Markofer room. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Jeanette also requested that \$250 be approved to purchase the binding machine from Barbara Claire and \$605.44 to cover purchases made to restock the Museum Store. Rosemarie Miller made a motion to cover the expenses with a second by Dave Chalmers. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Additionally, Jeanette proposed checking out a backup system for the computer. Back Blaze was recommended and would check out others.

President Ken Miller reported that all signers on the El Dorado Savings Bank account have approved obtaining a debit card on the account. Signers approving the debit card were: Jeanette Lawson, Treasurer; Betty Wilson, Assistant Treasurer; Ken Miller, President; Rosemarie Miller, 1st Vice-President and Dennis Buscher, 2nd Vice-President.

**Rhoads School Report:** Roberta reported that the Scouts have completed the fence and outhouse projects. She questioned if anyone knew if the outhouse was original. She said the use of square nails indicates that it may be. She said that 30 visitors attended the open house on 1st Saturday and another 10 on Sunday, museum day. Roberta also reported that a dozen classes have signed up and that Elk Grove Unified School District has approved field trips so they are

expecting more visitations. The Rhoads School is still in need of docents and fire starters. They will have a Board meeting in June. Roberta is inventorying the books and has found several (67) are missing since the last inventory was taken. Plans are being made for the 150 year Rhoads School anniversary as well as the 50 year anniversary of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers taking over the Sloughhouse Cemetery. The date is set for September 10, 2022. Scouts who have worked on projects as well as school alumni will be invited..

**CSD Report:** Ken reported that CSD is still under COVID meeting mandates, so no one is attending the Historical Society meetings.

**Facilities Manager Report:** The following was reported by David Chalmers and John Frassetto:

Flag pole: David reported that the base is rotting and it could fall over. It was suggested to take it down before it falls.

Sprinklers: Front sprinkler system has been completed.

Roof repair: Bids still need updating.

Storage: A shed 120 sq ft could be built without obtaining a permit.

Basement leak: Sandbags have been placed along the exterior wall.

Foulks house handrail: Board questioned whether to place a metal or wooden rail. Board would like it to be wooden. Roberta suggested checking the railing at Rhodes School.

Windows in Markofer Room: The plexiglass coverings on the south windows are cracked. The cost for Moules Glass to replace them is \$315.40. A motion was made by Jeanette Lawson to approve \$350 to replace the plexiglass covering the windows with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Nothing reported for: trellis at the Gate House, bathroom heaters, Summer kitchen leak, barn, status of CSD lighting in the parking lot, and south side lean-to.

Scout Projects: Rosemarie reported that the Girl Scouts have planted flowers in the bed near the summer kitchen and a vegetable garden next to the Foulks House.

Miscellaneous: Jim working on getting the statue moved. The drip system in front is completed. The Brown property sewer has been repaired. The kitchen ceiling repair is almost completed.

### **Unfinished Business**

Events: Jeanette made a motion to open for business starting in April with a second by Roberta Tanner. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Summer Kitchen Dedication: No report.

Security: Louie reported information received from Jim that the existing security system by Frontier (Johnson Security) cannot have anything added to it. Comcast is not available in the area. A T-Mobile wireless system is being tested at a local home, but not sure of the cost for the system, however the fee is \$49/mo. Ken suggested ADT as they have a wireless system.

Wallpaper: Jeanette reported the wallpaper has been ordered. She asked if the ceiling water leak had run down the wall. David checked and said he did not see any damage to the

wall. Jeanette also said the wood in the room needs to be painted prior to the wallpaper being put up in 2-3 months. It was suggested to use the time between April and June's first Saturdays as the Museum will not be open for tours in May due to the Spring Tea.

Accident Report: Nothing reported.

General Session: Jeanette and Dennis along with Ken and Rosemarie visited the "Laguna at the Park" facility. It was discussed that parking may be an issue as well as the check-in procedures. It was decided to postpone moving the meeting site for now. A laptop was purchased for the meetings.

### **New Business**

Ballroom theme: Rosemarie asked the Board and members to let her know if they have an idea for what to display in the Ballroom for the year 2023.

Pop-up Canopy: Susan Saner presented information about purchasing a pop-up with the Elk Grove Historical Society's name and logo. Several designs were presented with information from two companies. Roberta Tanner made a motion to allocate \$1600 for the purchase of option #3 from Extreme Canopy with the name on the valance and logo on the top. A second was made by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

### **Committee Reports**

Grant Writer: Susan Hernandez has submitted grants for both the Spring Tea and Old Fashioned Christmas requesting \$5000 for each event. She asked if anyone had any idea for projects, a plan and possibly blueprints would be needed.

1st Saturday Tours: Ken reported that March 1st Saturday brought in 48 visitors and Sunday's Museum Day another 32.

Civil War Days: There will be a practice on the weekend of March 18-20 with a meeting to be held afterwards. A question was posed as to how homeschool groups get to attend. Midirise Arnold is in charge. Contact Jim Entrican for information.

Big Day of Giving: Ken reported that Strauss will be partnering with the Historical Society again and that dancers will perform. Louie is mailing out cards.

Museum Store: Susan Saner reported that the store made \$235 in sales for the March opening. They have purchased more inventory for the store including items for kids. Books are selling and are in need of Pinkerton's book #1. Louie to obtain the book for the store.

Membership: No new membership.

Newsletter: Dee reported a receipt of \$575 for advertising in the newsletter. She also suggested highlighting the museum store.

Webmaster: Louis reported all is up to date. He questioned how the Museum's digitized information could be loaded on to the website. Jeanette said she'd like to digitize more documents.

Archivist: One of the new members is interested in archives and Carmen has met with her.

Society Publications: position vacant

General Session: March 21, 6:30 pm, Presbyterian Church. Speaker: Oscar Mix, History of Elk Grove families.

Spring Tea: Susan Hernandez reported that she has a committee of 18. She said 50 tickets had been sold so far and that 17 have signed up to decorate tables. Tickets can be purchased online.

Black Tie and Christmas Committees: no reports

Yard Sale: Susan Saner suggested using both her and Dennis' phone numbers. She said they are working on some reward for members and volunteers.

**Communications:** None reported

**Announcement:** None

A motion was made by Rosemarie Miller to adjourn the meeting at 5:15pm with a second by Roberta Tanner. Motion passed with 7 votes.