

Elk Grove Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2022 (Draft)

Board Members Present/Absent

Name	P	A	Name	P	A
President Ken Miller	x		Rhoads School Bd. Dr. Roberta Tanner	x	
1 st Vice-President Rosemarie Miller	x		Corresponding Secretary Cindy Mahon	x	Resigned position 2:28
2 nd Vice-President Dennis Buscher	x		Treasurer Jeanette Lawson	x	Left at 4:29
Recording Secretary Pam Phelps	x		Facilities Director David Chalmers		excused
Webmaster Louis Silviera	x				

Members attending: Annaclare Entrican, John Frassetto, Susan Sayner, Carmen Bird, Stan Lake, Pat Lake, and Lanie Kirby

Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM by President Ken Miller.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Dennis Buscher to approve the agenda with a second by Jeanette Lawson. Motion passed with 8 votes.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Jeanette Lawson to approve the minutes of 1/18/22 as submitted with a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 8 votes.

Public Comment: None

Presentations: None

Appointments: Ken Miller read a list (handout) of appointments for 2022 including Support Positions and Committee Chairs that were not yet approved. Jeanette Lawson made a motion to approve the appointments with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 8 votes.

Ken read a letter he received from Cindy Mahon to resign from the Corresponding Secretary position on the Board. He accepted the resignation at 2:28PM. Cindy said Pat Lake had stated she was interested in the position and Ken said he would check if anyone else wanted to run. Louis Silviera will cover the position until a replacement was named by Ken. Rosemarie Miller made a motion for Louis Silviera to temporarily fill the position with a second by Jeanette Lawson. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Treasurer's Report: Jeanette reported two large expenditures of \$700 to Merry Maids and \$762.34 to SMUD. Jeanette informed the Board that \$6000 in donations had been received, \$1000 from Sally Bergen and \$5000 from Christa Venienga-Tolanara. Jeanette recommended that the funds be used to wallpaper the Markofer room and curtains for the upstairs bedrooms. A motion was made by Jeanette Lawson as stated with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Jeanette said to obtain the debit card, all Board members need to be present to vote, so the item is tabled until the next

Pam Phelps made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Jeanette reviewed the budget for 2022. She created a separate line item for the Civil War Days event. It was noted that net income was missing on several line items. It will be updated. Dennis Buscher made a motion to approve the 2022 Budget with a second by Rosemarie Miller. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Rhoads School Report: Roberta reported that there were 11 schools scheduled; there are usually 50-60. They were contacted by KCRA Mike Teselle to be featured on *Explore Outdoors*. They are trying to figure out how to pay docents to be in compliance with the state law. Jeanette will check with the accountant.

CSD Report: Ken reported that the trailer contract agreements have been signed for both the yard sale and spring tea. A \$144 was paid for each.

Facilities Manager Report: John reported the following:

Roof repair: reported that bids have not been updated

Storage container: John reported the cost would be about \$5000. Dennis a 20 x 10 tough shed with an 18ft roll up door with a walk in door. A building permit may be required depending on size. Sheldon High does some building of sheds.

Basement leak: reported that nothing has yet been done

Nothing reported for: hand rail on the Foulks porch, trellis at the Gate House, bathroom heaters, Summer kitchen leak, barn, and south side lean-to.

Miscellaneous: The railing in front of the museum has been repaired. No information on moving the statue. The drip system is being worked on. The Scouts are working on the outhouse at the Rhoads School. The Brown property had a break in a sewer pipe. Elk Grove Plumbing and Pipe said it would be \$3400-\$3500 to repair. Dennis Buscher made a motion to repair the sewer pipe with a second by Roberta Tanner. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Unfinished Business

Events: March opening and events. A motion was made to open the museum for 1st Saturday tours in March and to hold the March General Session by Rosemarie Miller with a second by Jeanette Lawson. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Summer Kitchen Dedication: Still on hold. Dennis will work on a plaque.

Accident Report: Ken talked about the idea of a Safety Committee and if we need a plan.

Pets in the Museum yard: Ken passed out policy recommendations made by the ad-hoc committee. Items on the policy came from input received from CSD dog policy, insurance company, and legal. A motion was made by Rosemarie Miller to allow dogs on site and accept

the policy presented by the ad-hoc committee, put signage on the gate, and keep the gate locked. With a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 7 votes.

New Business

CSD agreements: See CSD report above.

Goals for 2022: Ken reviewed the short and long term goals that were listed at the January 18th planning meeting. Roberta Tanner made a motion to approve the recommended goals with a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Security: Ken read a statement he wrote for the newsletter about security changes that should be made. The front gate should be kept locked unless there is an event. He will ask David to call the security company and get ideas and quotes about outside cameras and a motion detector at the top of the stairs inside the museum. He asked the Board to think of ideas.

General Session:

1. Laptop purchase for General Session meetings: The laptop needs to be upgraded. Dennis Buscher made a motion for the purchase of a laptop to \$600 with a second by Pam Phelps. Motion passed with 7 votes. Louie to purchase the laptop.
2. The Park @ Laguna contacted the Society about holding General Sessions at their location for free. Rosemarie and Ken visited the location and would like other's input. Jeanette and Dennis visit the location with Rosemarie.

Girl Scout Projects: Two troops are interested in holding their meetings at the museum and would like to have garden projects. Jessica meets with her troop every Wednesday and Laura every other Thursday. Pam Phelps made a motion to allow the Girl Scouts to meet with a second by Roberta Tanner. Motion passed with 6 votes. (Jeanette left the meeting at 4:29.) The Board liked the idea of the garden projects. Rosemarie Miller will let them into the summer kitchen for their meetings.

Rhoads School Anniversary: Roberta reported on the 150 year event. A suggestion was made to have a celebration in September. Rosemarie volunteered to help. A location was discussed.

Committee Reports

Grant Writer: No report

1st Saturday Tours: Museum open in March. Ken discussed the parking issue when CSD has an event. Carmen asked about costumes docents can wear. She and Roberta will go through the costumes downstairs. Carmen passed out a sign up for Board members to volunteer.

Civil War Days: Dennis handed out and reviewed information. He was suggesting a 10x10 popup with the Historical Society logo. Cost would be about \$2100. Susan to check on this. A meeting is scheduled for Monday, Feb 21 at 9am.

Big Day of Giving: Dennis reported the Society is registered and will be sending out postcards for the May 5th event. Ken contacted Strauss about the partnership and dancing, but has not heard back.

Museum Store: Susan reported they have been very successful selling at Red Door. They need to buy more items. Will be open for 1st Saturday in March.

Membership: Jim sent out a report. Louis sent letters and information to the 2 new members.

Newsletter: The next newsletter is being worked on.

Webmaster: Louis has updated the web.

Archivist: Carmen presented an itemized budget to upgrade the Past Perfect system. Dennis Buscher made a motion to approve the request at \$800 with a second by Pam Phelps. Motion passed with 6 votes.

Society Publications: position vacant

Brew Fest: Since this is a Mahon Ranch event and the Society provides support, Dennis suggested we delete this item from the agenda.

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

Spring Tea, Black Tie and Christmas Committees: no reports

Communications: None reported

Announcement: Spring Tea is May 7th, so the Museum will be closed for 1st Saturday.

A motion was made by Dennis Buscher to adjourn the meeting at 5:13pm with a second by Pam Phelps. Motion passed with 6 votes.