

Elk Grove Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2023 (Draft)

Board Members Present/Absent

| Name | P | A | Name | P | A |
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| President Stan Lake | x | | Rhoads School Bd. Dr. Roberta Tanner | x | |
| 1 st Vice-President Dennis Buscher | x | | Corresponding Secretary Pat Lake | x | |
| 2 nd Vice-President Susan Hernandez | x | | Treasurer Jeanette Lawson | | x |
| Recording Secretary Pam Phelps | x | | Facilities Director David Chalmers | | x |
| Webmaster Louis Silveira | x | | | | |

Members attending: Laura Laney and John Frassetto.

Meeting called to order at 3:08 PM by President Stan Lake.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda was made by Pat Lake with a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 6 votes.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 11, 2023 was made by Pat Lake with a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 6 votes.

Public Comment: none

Treasurer's Report: Attached. The Treasurer's Report was sent to Board members via email. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report made by Pam Phelps with a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Rhoads School: Roberta reported that the first class was held last Tuesday. The working docent reported that there were large cockroaches in the shed. John Frassetto has taken care of the issue. At the previous Board meeting, 14 school scholarships were approved. The school was open during the Giant Pumpkin festival held in the park. Those touring the school were very interested. There was an inquiry about an historical book or scrapbook that the Historical Society may have in print. Nothing exists at this time. There is a new school from Davis that has been scheduled. Total of 5 docents including 1 new one. Docent time and date of work needs to be communicated. Roberts said she met with Felicia Lewis from Elk Grove School District and will be meeting with Sue Davis and San Juan Unified, both regarding concerns.

CSD Report: No Report

Facilities Report: John reported:

Gatehouse lattice: The job has been completed.

Wagon: John will order something to protect the wood. There is a need to check if a permit is required to place a cover over the wagon. Check with Jeanette/Jim to inquire who constructed the patio structure.

Shelving downstairs: Susan thanked Louie and whoever helped him for installing the shelving in the basement corner. She would like the wooden bookshelves moved out. She will inventory the clothing that is there.

Locks for cabinets: Pam asked about getting locks put on the doors of the cabinet in the ballroom. John said he would check it out.

Membership report: Report attached. Three new members and one deceased. Susan requested that Dinah get a copy of the report.

Committee Reports

Newsletter/ Webmaster: The web page is updated. The newsletter is ready and includes information on Board candidates for the upcoming year. A new person, Michael Vargas, is running for 1st Vice-President. He requested that Board members review their bios. Louie also reported that Elizabeth Pinkerton will be writing for the Historical Societies newsletter in place of the *Citizen*. Dennis suggested to include her article on the Society's Facebook account. Ms. Pinkerton will be donating backup of her articles to the Historical Society. The Historical Society has also received 25 photos of past Elk Grove Elementary School.

Founders Day: Susan Hernandez handed out and reviewed a list of the events for the day. (attached) Laura Laney will be organizing activities for the kids. The blacksmith shop will be open and \$200 was requested for supplies. Dennis Buscher made a motion to approve \$200 for the blacksmith shop with a second by Louie Silveira. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Elk Grove Preservation Committee: No report.

Black Tie and Santa/ Fashioned Christmas: Pam reported that decorating has begun. Question regarding heaters. John reported that he will check the status of the heaters at hand and he and Pam will research costs of additional and/or replacement.

Old Business

Speaker series: On October 16, Dave Freeman will be discussing Sheldon and gristmills. Louie reported that 5 of the 8 speakers for next year have been scheduled.

CSD trailer: Stan reported that he registered the trailer to the fee of \$534. Louie Silveira made a motion to reimburse Stan for the registration fee of \$534 with a second by Dennis Buscher. Motion passed with 7 votes. The trailer is wrapped with CSD information Jim to check on getting it rewrapped.

Giant Pumpkin Festival: There were roughly 30 visitors to the museum all from walking past Heritage Park. No one was able to park in our parking lot because the way event traffic was diverted and this may have led to the few numbers of guests. The charging machine was not working in the store. Dennis to check with Susan Saner.

New Business

Citizen of the Year: Stan reported that he was on the selection committee and was curious if the Historical Society participated in the banquet. Dennis said attendees are usually determined by the honoree. This year's honoree is John Colton.

Walls for Pop-ups: Stan handed out information on types of sidings that can be used on the pop-ups and discussion ensued. Susan Hernandez made a motion to purchase 4 of the 10' plane wall sides at \$65 each with a second by Pat Lake. Motion passed with 7 votes.

Thank you notes: Pat would like to have the old house thank you notes printed. Louie to check on costs.

Communications and Announcements:

House vs. Hotel: Dennis discussed the use of the terms “Hotel” and “House”. He stated that the stage stops were termed as “House” and were usually overnight stops and that the term “Hotel” was usually for longer stays. When referring to the facility, Dennis suggested using the term “Heritage Park”.

Correspondence received from Cottonwood School who would like to tour the school and museum. They would have 15-20 students.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 P.M.