

Elk Grove Historical Society Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2023 (Draft)

Board Members Present/Absent

Name	P	A	Name	P	A
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: John Frassetto, Mary Bulford, Susan Saner, Kennett Glendinning, and Michael Vargas.

Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM by President Stan Lake.

Approval of Agenda: No addition to agenda

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve November minutes made by Pat Lake with a second by Susan Hernandez. Motion passed with 8 votes. (Roberta arrived after the vote.)

Treasurer's Report: Attached. Jeanette reported large expenditures of \$510 to Merry Maids and \$640 for Rhoads School Scholarship. Net profit for Black Tie and Santa was \$8,003.87. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Pat Lake with a second by Louis Silveira. Motion passed with 9 votes. Jeanette asked for approval of \$1241 to Dennis Buscher for an additional storage unit at Extra Space storage. The monies will be reimbursed out of the 2024 yard sale profits. Susan Hernandez made a motion to pay \$1241 to Dennis Buscher for storage with a second by Pat Lake. Motion passed with 9 votes.

Rhoads School: No report made.

CSD Report: Kennett introduced Eric Sturges who will be taking over as CSD rep until the position is filled. CSD will be installing a new flagpole. It's metal with a LED light.

Facilities Report: David reported that the slats in the school's fence have been repaired. There was a question about a soft spot on the school steps. David will check it out. He is going to concentrate on the wagon with a coat of the wood protection and a cover over the wagon. Will check what permit requirements are needed. There was a question about putting a timer on the heater at the school.

Membership report: Report attached. No new members. The membership list has been updated. Pat mentioned that a lady wondered why she was getting the newsletter and is not a member, nor has never donated. Stan to check with Jim.

Committee Reports

Newsletter/ Webmaster: The newsletter is ready to publish and the website is up to date. Louie has worked on the 2024 calendar using information from 2023.

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 9 votes.

Elk Grove Preservation Committee: Dennis reported that they are working on Judge Everson's house which was originally on the south side of Elk Grove Blvd and moved to the north side. It's now next to the Brickhouse restaurant. He talked about a book that has the 200+ properties that they would like to get recognized by the city. The Historical Society's museum opened in 1985 and was dedicated in 2000.

Black Tie and Santa/ Fashioned Christmas: Jeanette reported that the Black Tie and Santa event was well attended and a successful fundraiser. People enjoyed the tent so much that there were fewer people that stayed in the house. Susan Hernandez reported that a grant from the City has been received for the Old Fashioned Christmas. Pam reported information for the first two weeks of the event as: 369 adults and 233 children have attended for a total of 602 guests. In addition there were several babies. Income from the event to date is \$4925. It has been challenging to solicit docents to work the event. Mary Bulford has done a good job with calling and bringing in people to work. There is a lot of positive feedback ie. families like the kids' activities, snow machine and lights. We are allowing adults to decorate cookies this year and that is a big hit too.

Spring Tea: Susan reported that a grant was received from the City in the amount of \$1000. She will report on the tea after the first of the year.

Founders Day: No report.

Old Business

Walls for Pop-up Canopies: Susan Saner discussed the panels for the pop-ups. To get a logo printed on the inside back would cost \$235. The solid side panels cost \$65 each and windowed panels, \$125. A motion was made by Dennis Buscher to purchase 2 panels with logos, one with EGHS and one with Rhodes School and 2 plain panels. Discussion ensued with an amendment to the motion. Motion to read: Both logos, the EGHS and Rhodes School, one each of 2 panels and 2 plain panels for up to \$800. A second was made by Susan Hernandez. Motion passed with 9 votes. This motion replaces the motion voted on at the October, 2023 Board meeting.

Digitizing the Elk Grove Citizen: Dennis and Jeanette reported that a company would digitize for free. They and the Historical Society would have access to the information for free. Others would pay a fee. The owners of the papers have copyright of materials which would need a signed release. They will continue to work on this.

New Business

Gardening at Heritage Park: Gardeners of the Grove is interested in having their members prune roses in January. There was a question as to whether CSD would or could do any of the gardening. Will check with the CSD rep at the next Board meeting.

Communications and Announcements:

Gil Derr passed away.

Jeanette shared that she received information from Kathy Goldberry about the Uplift fundraising event which will be held in the Pavillion on January 27th from 5:30-9:30. Anyone interested in attending should let Jeanette know.

A question was brought up about the planning meeting. It was scheduled for January 22 starting at 10am.

Stan shared that he received a letter from Rosemarie Miller. She is stepping down from her positions at the Historical Society.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 P.M.