**Friends of the History Center**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**June 10, 2025**

**5:30 PM (via Zoom)**

Meeting called to order by R. Melvin.

No citizens were present.

Board members present:

D. Kroskie

E. Koenig

J. Fox

M. Winkelman

R. Melvin

**MINUTES**

* J. Fox made a motion to approve May 2025 minutes. M. Winkelman seconded. Motion passed.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

R. Melvin:

* M. Winkelman made a motion to approve May 2025 treasurer’s report. E Koenig seconded. Motion passed.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

R. Melvin:

* Save the date: June 22 - Janie White author “Windswept Oaks”
* [see finance, development, and education/exhibits below]

**FINANCE**

* Nothing to report.

**DEVELOPMENT**

R. Melvin:

* D. Griffith (unavailable for this meeting due to travel) sent this message to R. Melvin and requested it be shared with the Board: “I met with Pam to learn background about the organization, funding, sponsors and so forth. It was time well spent. Melinda and I touched base and will both get with Amy in late June/early July to understand what she does regarding grants and membership renewals and other sources of revenue. Once all that is done we’ll be in a better place to determine how to fund projects for 2026. In the meantime, we will need detailed info about anticipated projects/exhibits, cost, scope and more so that we can actively go for grants and determine if some sort of fundraising is necessary (it’s not typical for the HC to hold them and there’s numerous considerations involved).”

**EDUCATION/EXHIBITS**

J. Fox/R. Melvin:

* Currently working on hurricane exhibit content, as well as Armadillo Gang field trips, redesigning t-shirts.
* We will extend artifacts exhibit through October, then will close down and prep for holiday season (including renovation of the building).
* Consider ways to get involved in America 250.

**FACILITIES**

E. Koenig:

* Items have been moved into the shed.
* Next step: have garage door insulated, though we are having issues with air conditioner.
* Suggests setting exact time frame for HC renovations (e.g., painting, filling in holes, etc.).
* Signage in front yard will be updated.

**PUBLICITY/MARKETING**

E. Koenig:

* Views are up on social media and gained some new followers, but most are women and are older (i.e., need more young engagement)
* Consider ways to get more engagement from younger people

**COLLECTIONS/CURATION**

M. Winkelman:

* Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

R. Melvin:

* Nothing to report

**NEW BUSINESS**

R. Melvin**:**

* Required action: full written reports on progress and recommendations for rest of year plus 2026 are required for all committees.
* Reports are due September.
* No more monthly board meetings until then (though we can meet if/as needed)
* M. Winkelman made a motion to approve the above. J. Fox seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting – September 9th at 5:30 via Zoom.

M. Winkelman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J. Fox seconded. Motion passed.

Minutes recorded by D. Kroskie