

## Friends of the History Center Board Meeting

### Agenda

- I. Call to Order: Rob Lawrence called the meeting to order and declared a quorum. Those present were Patty Albin, Bill Beasley, Kay Betz (via telephone), Leah Oliva, Maureen Winkelman and Rob Lawrence
- II. The Amended By-laws and Conflict of Interest Policy were approved unanimously after a motion and second.
- III. The 2/5/19 Board Minutes were approved unanimously after a motion and second
- IV. Treasurer's Report —
  - A. The February P & L was approved unanimously after a motion and second
  - B. Rob Lawrence reported that Bank Balance as of the end of February was \$106,886.87, Unrestricted - \$46,037 Restricted -\$60,849
  - C. The payment of \$745.00 to Kay Betz for Ancestry.com, registration for TSHA convention and Hats and gloves.was approved unanimously after motion and second
- V. Executive Report –Rob Lawrence
  - A. Purchase of tablets, stands, PowerPoint projector, screen, editing software and speaker up to a cost of \$2,000 was approved unanimously by the Board after Motion and second.
  - B. The Stroll through Rockport will probably be in October. We will participate if asked.
  - C. Leah stated that we have 2 new

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- D. South Texas Historical Association will meet at the History Center on 4/5/19 from 5:00 to 7:00. All Directors are invited.
- E. Becky covered the visit by the Chamber of Commerce Charmers Group
- F. Tommy Moore's golf cart tour will stop at HC
- G. The Board unanimously agreed not to pursue the purchase of the land across the street from the History Center.
- H. We will acquire a larger donations box and post a sign that contributions are appreciated.
- I. Business and Individual memberships. Patty Albin will take the draft prepared by Kay Betz and prepare a mock up of a brochure that can be given to businesses. Rob Lawrence reported that Becky has modified the web site to allow people to acquire new memberships or renew memberships on line. They can also pay for the memberships on line. We will also develop an e-mail list to solicit new memberships.
- VI. Grants – Kay Betz
  - A. Castaways Grant of \$10,000 has been received for murals and signage in Garden. An exhibit on shellcrete will be included.
  - B. We have applied for a \$25,000

grant from the Rust Foundation for Operations.

- C. Sours and Anonymous Grants submitted.
- D. Discussion of HOT funds.  
From November 1 through last weekend, we had 547 weekend visitors. Of those, we could identify 174 (38%) as visitors from homes more than 70 miles from Rockport. The Board authorized Rob Lawrence to talk to Pam Stranahan and John Strothman about HOT funds and to prepare the necessary paperwork for discussion with the Board.

VII. Facility/Landscape Committee – Rob

- A. Landscape – The February 2nd Saturday Landscaping work day was canceled due to very cold weather. The work day will be rescheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in March.
- B. Door to Office - The Board thought it would be a good idea to take both doors off from the entries to the library and use one of the doors for the office.

VIII. Collections Committee –Maureen

- A. The History Center received Oral Histories and transcripts. In addition, reports from Johnson Ranch Artifacts were received.

IX. Education/Exhibits Committee – Leah

- A. Quilting Exhibit – Attendance was 202 in February.
- B. The John Moloney Presentation on 2/17/2019 was a success.
- C. The Board was reminded of the

Francisco Yturria Program on March 28. This is a Joint Program with Society

- D. Progress on the development of the Barrier Island exhibit is on schedule.

- E. A Committee Meeting on the Permanent Exhibit will be scheduled soon.

- X. Marketing/Publicity – Rob – We are advertising more and it seems to be increasing the number of visitors.

XI. No Old Business

XII. No New Business

- XII. Adjourn – After motion and second, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn.