



Friends of the History Center for Aransas County

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Minutes of the Board Meeting - Tuesday, May 5, 2020

Dial-in Number: 1-602-610-2062
Conference Code: 390952

President Leah Oliva called the meeting to order and declared a quorum with Barrera, Stranahan, Bemrose, Winkelman, and Oliva present.

There were no citizens to be heard.

Minutes of April 7 were approved as corrected by secretary in email.

Treasurer's report was accepted after discussion P & L that shows net income of \$6,216 in April. A new signature card needs to be signed by officers at Prosperity Bank (contact – Gloria Vela). To access the bank, you call in advance and they bring papers out to you in the car. Pam Stranahan will coordinate a date to meet at the bank.

Committee reports as follows:

Executive – Leah (Pres.) will move to NM May 25. She completed the loan from SBA for \$3,000 salary support (8 weeks) for FHC. Instructions for “forgiven process” are included in papers.

Education/exhibits – Leah explained that current exhibit - Hispanic Heritage - has several programs not yet presented. Randy Krinsky will come into town May 9 to video tape several families to be broadcast on the web. Nancy Barrera will coordinate with Jaime to record his part of the cultural program on YouTube to be transferred to FHC web. We will promote a "Last chance" to view the Hispanic Heritage exhibit for Sat. & Sun. - May 30, 10 – 4 and May 31, 1–4 PM limit (6) visitors into house with 2 docents on the side, standing/viewing space taped on the floor, masks required, gloves for docents, sanitizer at entry. Notice will be sent by Eblast.

New exhibit will open Sat. June 13, 10 AM - Sails, Trails, Rails and Wings - opening on driveway, speaker from ramp, limited seating (30), chairs spaced according to social-distancing; limited visitors (6) in the house. Programs on Sundays 2:00 PM, by reservation, limit 15, video and live stream. Vintage cars for display during the opening were requested. Nancy B will check on possibly getting some. John B has a 2006 jaguar if we want to display that type of vehicle.

Development committee was reported by John Bemrose. In April we got membership renewals (\$750) and a grant from anonymous for operations. Grants are pending for Real People by Nancy Barrera – Kenedy, Summerlee and E Rachal. Pam will apply for covid relief funds to increase administrative assistant time (Becky Sanders) to allow her to do more social media.



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Maureen Winkelman requested help in setting up some shelves in the curation space. She may get Pat Sullivan to do it on Wednesday while he's at HC for garden.

Facilities are managed by Becky S who reported that the house painted by Pathways hire. The front door will be redone. Several volunteers (Pat R, Pam S) have been weeding. Pat Sullivan works in the garden weekly

The web site has been redone in Wix format by Becky with information from Pam S. Please continue to share Facebook. Eblast will be sent out monthly & with news.

New board members were nominated based on their applications circulated prior to the board meeting. Carol Melvin was approved to complete a 2020 term. Ron Melvin was approved to complete another 2020 term. We still have two unfilled slots for 2020 term and a 2022 term to replace Leah.

The Board approved the move of V.P. Pam Stranahan to Presidency and Leah will remain on the board long-distance until a replacement is found for her 2022 term. The board voted to put up a mailbox curbside at 801 E. Cedar St. The idea of a book auction from the web site was mentioned. Kathryn Morrow will work with Maureen and Becky to create a plan for approval at the June board meeting.

Officers: president- Pam (Patricia) Stranahan, secretary- Kathryn Morrow, treasurer- John Bemrose.

Next meeting was announced for June 2, 5:30 PM. We'll decide later whether to meet in person or by phone call.

The meeting was adjourned around 6:20 PM.
Pam Stranahan as sub for Kathryn Morrow, secretary