**Friends of the History Center**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**June 13, 2023**

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

Meeting was called to order by Ron Melvin.

No citizens were present.

**MINUTES**

Pam made a motion to approve May 2023 minutes. Dave seconded. Motion passed.

**TREASURERS’S REPORT** (Ron)

* Pam made a motion and Dave seconded to accept May 2023 treasurer’s report. Motion passed.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Ron/Pam/Joe:

* Letters of appreciation are being sent to business members for their contributions
* LAC dinner – attended by Joe

**DEVELOPMENT**

Pam:

* Grants – July: MS Rust, Rachal; Sept.: E. Sams, Barrow
	+ still working towards these; currently crafting proposals for submission
	+ consider reaching out to Randy Bissell

**EDUCATION**

Joe/Ron/Pam:

* Sheep Ranching went well; good feedback
* July 16 – Kayla Butts: Garden to Table Cookbook (organic farming)
* June/July - Joe and Amy working on a History Cruise date; still need to establish
* Education committee – need to set up a meeting, primarily re Collector’s exhibit, also to think of any celebrities who may want to show off collections; Joe is doing some research and will let us know; possibly Judge Mills? Judge Garza?
* Joe: Junior Historians (and/or Armadillo Gang) – Joe is reaching out to museums for programs, has an outline, and is getting support
	+ Pam: HC should give financial support to the group - $500 for field trips will be a line item in new budget. Pam made a motion, Joe seconded. Motion passed.

**FACILITIES**

Pam:

* Cindy Cox to have gardens ready for May 20 opening; mulch by LAC.
* Visit to HC by Rene Butler – county will replace HVAC for garage, repair ramp, and work to make pathways ADA.
	+ Pathways will pay for it (managed by county)

**PUBLICITY**

Pam:

* Overall promotion includes media distribution, postcard invitation, ads, and social media
* Chamber is doing welcome bags (Amy is developing rack cards)
* Chamber promo basket for June event is complete
* Chamber auction – we get publicity out of it
* Thursday Pam will have interview with Victoria KAVU News, will discuss press release about article for Pathways, local history sites, and HC

**COLLECTIONS**

Joe:

* Ranching exhibit items donated by Blacklands Museum have been procured

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Education Committee meeting re Collectors exhibit will be Tuesday the 27th at 5:30pm via Zoom

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Nothing to report

**NEXT MEETING –** July 11 at 5:30pm via Zoom

Ron made a motion and Pam seconded to adjourn meeting. Motion passed.

Minutes recorded by Dave Kroskie

Present at meeting:

Ron Melvin

Pam Stranahan

Joe Fox

Dave Kroskie