



Friends of the History Center for Aransas County

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Friends of the History Center Board Meeting Minutes March 12, 2024 5:30 PM (via Zoom)

Meeting was called to order by Ron Melvin.

No citizens were present.

MINUTES

Melinda made a motion to approve February 2024 minutes. Pam seconded. Motion passed.

TREASURERS'S REPORTS

Melinda:

- Melinda made a motion and Eric seconded to accept February 2024 treasurer's report. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ron/Pam:

- Efforts to establish an endowment:
 - Strategic plan is first step, plus research
 - Strategic planning meeting is April 13th

DEVELOPMENT

Melinda:

- Nothing to report, will address matters in strategic planning meeting
- LAC class coming in April; Melinda will represent HC

EDUCATION

Pam:

- Video of Cemetery Tour is up on website
- History Cruise – working on a date
- Need committee meeting to brainstorm on next exhibit ("Festivals and Events")
 - March 26th at 5:30 via Zoom is proposed
- THC workshop on April 10th at Fulton Mansion: Creating Experiences for Heritage Travelers

FACILITIES

Melanie/Pam:

- New roses planted, garden trimming, more hummingbird feeders up
- Flags – still working on disposal and replacements
- Sesquicentennial monument to be moved

PUBLICITY

Eric:

- Amy – website has been further updated, ads in Pilot, social media
- Eric gathered age and gender statistics regarding visitation: let's discuss how to broaden engagement during strategic planning meeting
 - Melinda will also explore
- Pam will gather info on HC initiatives to date

COLLECTIONS

Pam:

- Maureen and Maggie have been assisting
- Maggie organizing collections, library

OLD BUSINESS

Ron:

- Strategic Planning meeting: April 13th from 9am–3pm at Lamar Fire Station

NEW BUSINESS

Ron/Pam:

- More copies of Leah Olivia's book are needed for Smithsonian exhibit:
 - Donations offered: \$350 from Maureen and \$350 from her friend
 - Can sell any extras at book festival in April
 - Pam requested authorization for HC to purchase 100 copies. Mel made motion to approve and Melinda seconded. Motion passed. Amy is authorized to conduct all associated business.
- Historic Preservation Awards in May:
 - Need committee to review forms and nominate
 - Meeting will be on March 26th at HC

Next meeting – April 13th at 5:30 at Strategic Planning Meeting.

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

Minutes recorded by Dave Kroskie

Present at meeting:

Ron Melvin

Pam Stranahan

Melanie Konarik

Melinda Gudim

Eric Koenig

Dave Kroskie