

RCC Chapter Minutes

October 21, 2020

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Present: Shara Whitehead, Kathi Marcus, Betsy Gottsponer, Tom Rushin, Cecilia Young, Lenore Stuart, Linda Morgan, Bruce Gwynn

Absent: Cathy Reeves, Pete Thompson

Call to Order: 6:06pm

Call to the Public: None

Approval of March 20, 2020 RCC Board Minutes: Betsy Gottsponer recommended that “Yuma County Public Library” be added to the *Topics for Future Consideration* section. Bruce Gwynn moved to approve with recommended change, Cecilia Young seconded. Approval with change unanimous.

Presidents Remarks:

- Shara Whitehead discussed desire to extend current RCC Board officers and terms until the next annual meeting because the current year annual meeting was canceled due to Covid-19.
- Kathi Marcus motioned to extend officers and terms until next annual meeting. Seconded by Betsy Gottsponer. Approved.
 - Cathy Reeves (RCC Vice President) submitted her resignation
 - Amanda Mahon (RCC Secretary) resigned previously
- Discussion with no action:
 - Shara Whitehead indicated her desire to resign as RCC president
 - Shara Whitehead recommended Bruce Gwynn for the position of vice president.
 - Bruce Gwynn recommended Shara Whitehead serve as secretary
- Redondo Days Update:
 - Bruce Gwynn reported results from a YCHS meeting to discuss ideas for Redondo Days.
 - The Redonda Days event will have a new structure. Ideas presented include changing Redondo Days to a winding drive-through fundraising event with reenactors, storyboards, and dinner. A live auction could be open for bidding for 48-hours. Price of tickets/tables can be lower due to reduced cost of hosting this type of event. Discussed possibility of going to fairgrounds to watch *310 to Yuma* movie. The Colorado River Park was suggested as an alternative to the fairgrounds due to its closer proximity to the Molina Block. Tiffany Ott suggested the auction be held at the Colorado River Park (formerly Quartermaster Depot). Donna Johnson mentioned fireworks could be added. Linda Morgan recommended PAAC as a site option. Betsy Gottsponer offered the idea of hosting an auction on a big screen where people bid by flashing car lights. Bruce Gwynn will schedule a Redondo Days planning meeting. No action on this agenda item.
- Separate Meetings for RCC and YCHS Boards
 - Shara Whitehead suggested consideration of separate meetings for RCC and YCHS Boards with a liaison between both boards to shorten meeting times. Bruce Gwynn recommended committee chairs submit reports in advance to shorten discussion time. No action on this agenda item.
- RCC Bylaws Review

- Shara Whitehead recommended that RCC bylaws should be reviewed. Bruce Gwynn suggested Tom Rushin lead the review effort. Tom accepted, stating he with request participation from other Board members.
- Sanguinetti House Museum Director's Remarks:
 - Yanna Kruse remarked that AHS has had no furloughs or terminations while museums have been closed due to Covid-19. Support from the Board is important and appreciated. AHS is considering retraction from three museum partnerships.
 - AHS has hired a landscaping company due to resignation of Evy Limones.
 - Support for garden care from Donna Johnson and YCHS has been very much appreciated.
 - AHS Collections staff visited Yuma to audit and complete logging of artifacts stored in the old City Hall building. Yanna thanked Cecilia Young and Pete Thompson for all of their work. Yanna stated that the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area will be charging a rental fee to AHS. Bruce Gwynn commented that communications with the City of Yuma have taken place and the City may be willing to cover rental costs due to previous agreement with City of Yuma on exchange of property use with the historic building.
 - Yanna mentioned that she hoped to restart historic downtown history tours even if museum is closed.
- Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Update – None
- Announcement and matters for future consideration – None
- Adjournment at 6:38pm