

# Rio Colorado Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

## Annual Meeting

April 17, 2024

Sanguinetti Museum and Gardens

240 S. Madison Avenue

Yuma, Arizona 85364

1. **Call to Order:** 6:22 pm by Linda Elliott-Nelson

2. **Roll Call:** Present: Bruce Gwynn, Faron Owl, Linda Elliott-Nelson, Tom Rushin, Monica Ketchum-Cárdenas, Sheridan Osborn, Thelma Lundy, Ellen Riek

Absent: Tom Rush, Emilia Cortez, Sue Ann Willen

3. Call to the Public: No response

4. **Approval of minutes:** Minutes for the January 23, 2024, Rio Colorado Chapter (RCC) Board of Directors meeting was approved. (Tom Rushin, Monica Ketchum-Cárdenas)

5. **President's Remarks:** Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson thanked everyone for being present. She noted that Arizona Historical Society had gone through the legislative committee and received approval for 8 years. This recommendation needs to be approved by the general legislature.

Linda reported that at the January Rio Colorado Chapter (RCC) meeting, the RCC Board chose to meet four times a year instead of twelve, as allowed by the RCC Bylaws.

Dr. Ellen Riek talked about the research project that her students are working on in the Yuma area.

6. **Election of RCC Board Members:** Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson noted that there are four RCC board members who were up for re-election: Faron Owl, Emilia Cortez, Thelma Lundy, and Linda Elliott-Nelson.

The motion was made to re-elect these four individuals to the RCC Board. (Bruce Gwynn, Sheridan Osborn). Motion was approved.

**7. Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Update:** Emilia Cortez was absent so no update was given.

**8. Announcements and matters for consideration at future board meetings.** Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson asked RCC Board members which month they would prefer the next meeting to be held. The answer was October, 2024.

The RCC Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm.

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Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson, President of the Rio Colorado Chapter Board

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