#### ARIZONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NORTHERN CHAPTER April 6, 2016

In Attendance: Tom Rose Johnny Anaya Corky Baca Duffy Westheimer Carole Gilmore Pat Loven Desirae Groth Don Dorman Gwen Groth Rich Boyd Paul Pertuit Bill Garbarino Absent: Mary Lou Morrow – excused Joan Brundidge-Baker – excused Voie Coy – excused Staff: Bill Peterson

Guests: Mary Vasquez Powell Kent Powell

The meeting was called to order by President, Tom Rose.

Roll call was taken by Desirae Groth.

Introductions:

Bill Garbarino introduced Mary Vasquez Powell as a potential new member of the Board. Her husband, Kent Powell was also in attendance.

Paul Pertuit made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes as presented. Rich Boyd seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

<u>Call to the Public:</u> None.

State Meeting Update:

Tom Rose referred to Voie Coy's report from the State Board Meeting. A discussion took place regarding meetings being filmed and posted online. Pat Loven requested that State Parks and AHS acknowledge NAPHS and invite them to the IGA signing. Invitations will be going out for the IGA signing.

It was announced that a new company would be creating a marketing plan for AHS based on state requirements.

#### Director's Report:

Bill Peterson referred to his report. The monthly gate counts were discussed. Gwen Groth suggested clarifying that the school tour numbers refer to the number of students, not the number of school tours. The school tour numbers were discussed and it was noted that many of the tours were NAU STEM program tours.

# Committee Reports:

#### Building & Grounds:

Tom Rose referred to the report sent to the Board. It was announced that there would be a clean-up day on Tuesday, April 12 starting at 9:00 AM. A discussion took place of the work to be done on the cabin and fire engine. These will be priorities before summer.

# Membership:

Bill Garbarino announced he would be sending hand-written notes to encourage people to become members. Tom Rose suggested board members carry AHS information with them to encourage others to join.

# Nominating:

The chapter is in need of a treasurer. The duties include meeting with Bill Peterson once a month and reporting on funds available.

# Signage Working Group:

Tom Rose referred to the report sent to the board by the Signage Working Group. Paul Pertuit is creating a banner for outside the Pioneer Museum to direct people to the museum. A discussion took place on setting poles to hold the banner that can also be used for advertising upcoming museum events.

The working group is communicating with the Arizona Department of Transportation and the Coconino Center for the Arts to increase direction signage to the Pioneer Museum.

#### Request for Future Agenda Items

The Board would like to have a plan for a Board orientation to review bylaws, committees, and create a strategic plan. A working group was created to plan an orientation and have it ready to present to the Board at the May meeting.

Open meeting rules and requirements will be discussed at the next meeting.

It was requested that there is an update on information regarding historical sites and city development on future agendas. It was discussed that historians should be utilized as new developments are planned. Duffy Westheimer briefly reported on the city's possible elimination of cultural research studies.

Johnny Anaya reported that many downtown businesses are not displaying plaques with historic building information. Tom Rose noted that this would be discussed during the next meeting.

Corky Baca announced that Mike Cromer offered to donate a slate blackboard to AHS. This will be further discussed at the May Board meeting. Other Business:

It was announced that Bill Peterson submitted the list of requested projects to be funded by Friends of AHS.

Tom Rose reported that the Art Barn will be gone by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Materials for the project will be on Pioneer Museum Property.

Gwen Groth reported that \$7,400 was raised for Pioneer Museum and Riordan Mansion during Arizona Gives Day. Gwen noted several thoughtful dedications on donations.

# **Upcoming Events:**

April 8, 2016 – Night at the Museum at Pioneer Museum April 9, 2016 – Evening Lecture – Downtown Flagstaff Underground at Riordan Mansion April 11, 2016 – Brown Bag Lecture – Oak Creek Homesteads at Riordan Mansion May 5, 2016 – Route 66 Exhibit Opening at Pioneer Museum May 10, 2016 – IGA Signing at Riordan Mansion

The next Board meeting will take place Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at Pioneer Museum.

Bill Garbarino made a motion to close the meeting. Paul Pertuit seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Board members were invited to go on a tour of Riordan Mansion led by staff member, Sacha Siskonen.

Respectfully Submitted by Desirae Groth