

AHS Rio Colorado Chapter
May 10th, 2016@ 6:40 P.M.
Sanguinetti House Museum and Gardens
Yuma, Arizona

Members present:

Rachel Stallworth
Cathy Reeves
Pete Thompson
Tom Rushin
Betsy Gottsponer
Cecilia Young
Bruce Gwynn
J.P. Mahon

Staff present:

Yanna Kruse

Guests:

YCHS Members

Members Absent:

Kathi Marcus

Decisions Taken at this meeting:
None Taken

1. **Called to order** - President Rachel Stallworth called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** – after roll call a quorum was declared.
3. **Call to the Public**- None
4. **Approval of the minutes** – Approval was moved by Bruce Gwynn and seconded by Joe Elias.
5. **President's Report**– President Rachel reported that the State Board is now appointed by the Governor. Bruce Gwynn is the Yuma representative. YCHS & RCC continue to need additional fundraisers to support the continued development of the Molina block and other projects. As of today, the AHS Achieves dept. has returned to the Heritage Library, 130% of the Yuma collection. There is also the photograph collection now back in Yuma. AHS spent Tempe’s budget on completing the Yuma collection and we are grateful for their commitment.
6. **AHS Representative Report** –None Given
7. **Museum Director Report**- Yanna Kruse shared her excitement of being a part of an amazing Yuma community that supports Yuma history and her continuous learning of Yuma history. She recognized many of the key people in the YCHS membership that have and continue to support and develop the museum and the Molina block and the Heritage Foundation for their continued support of the museum.

Yanna provided information on upcoming events- Kids Summer Camp in June at the Museum, Future exhibit being “Secrets of Victorian Yuma”, creating more outings and tours, historical talk series coordinating with AHS. She thanked everyone for their support and ideas as she continues forth in developing interesting and revenue generating events.

PROGRAM: Yanna introduced George Chavez as the guest speaker for the Annual Meeting. He spoke on the “Hidden Ancestors- The Lorona Family.”
8. **Discussion and Action** – None taken

9. National Heritage Area- None Given

10. Financial Update- Mike Pancrazi gave an update. Redondo Day event generated slightly more revenue than 2015. The end result - there is \$20,000 less this year than 2015. But YCHS is still in the black for 2016.

11. Nominating Committee- Kathi Marcus, Rachel Stallworth, John P. Mahon and Shara Merten were presented as RCC board members for the upcoming year- J.P. Mahon moved and Jose 2nd. Pro vote.

12. Other: President's Remarks – President Rachel thanked members for their contributions to the success of the organization. She also thanked everyone for their attendance and support in the future.

13. Announcements- Donna Johnson announced that the Molina Block has been booked for a wedding in April -2017. Please keep the Molina Block in mind for other events.

14. Adjournment

President Rachel adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.
Next meeting on June 14th at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Reeves- Recording Secretary

Rachel Stallworth- President