

Curry Historical Society Board Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2023

Meeting was opened at 5:31 pm.

Members Present: Barbara Gauntlett, Jeani Adams & Dave Sanders. 3/6 quorum.

Absent: Nancy Chester, Gil Davis & Marian Davis

Visitors: Mandy Keady – new editor of Echoes, Yvonne Pettyjohn – current editor and researcher, Mark _____

President's remarks: Mandy, thank you for attending our board meeting and volunteering to take over our as editor of our Echoes newsletter

Secretary's Report – The minutes for August 2023 were reviewed. Jeanie motioned to accept, Barbara seconded, and motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Barbara printed and provided August report for review. Income exceeded expenses this month!

Accessions – Barbara presented the Accessions for review.

- OR Historical Quarterly, Volume 124
- Book, The True Tale of World War I and the Oregon Wilderness Hideout – donated by Yvonne Pettyjohn.
- A collection of local Curry County animal skins and skulls, two carousels of slides of Kalmiopsis Wilderness – donated by Fred Bowan.

The Indian Basket collection from Rogue River Indians with some over 150 years old from Bob Sheperd is on hold as he is in hospital.

Marian is still going through the Lois Wacken collection donation, donated by Elaine Husted.

Marian is sorting through the Gil Winsel donation paperwork to determine what we should accession.

Deaccessions – None

Old Business –

- Lifeboat move – Donations received for the lifeboat move are \$1475 and a cost estimate is over \$34k to build a shelter on the leeward side of the Annex. We need to wait for the Engineered drawings to make a decision on how to move forward. This was twice what we estimated the cost at. Barbara has a couple of upcoming grants to target for this project. Mark suggested a carport may be a better option and closer to our budget. Mark/Dave cleaned it out in preparation for lifting onto cradle.
- Paint stairs treads project – Done by contractor per Jeanie.
- John Mather Memorial – Donations in the amount of \$470 will be used to recognize John with a farm implement display in the Annex building after remodel is complete. Jeanie is going to have a myrtlewood sign made and estimated cost of \$250.
- CTCF Grant – Burlap is installed and looks awesome. Barbara will close out the grant funds when we pay Jeremy Barto for this project and close the grant.
- Past Perfect – Mary kindly offered to train Jeannie and Karen. Karen will coordinate the time.

- Wildflower sign on our street pole – Wildflower Inn proposal to use the museum sign pole has been approved. Dave is working on contact with Urban Renewal Agency to see if there are funds/volunteers to clean and paint sign pole and replace the museum sign with new one. We agreed to use the poster graphic and add a native canoe to it. Jennifer has agreed to work on the design for us.
- Credit Card Machine – Dave and Nancy are looking into options for how we can remotely accept credit card payments in our booths as well as in the museum during regular business hours. Dave is going to contact Block (Square) and bring the agreement to the Board for approval.
- Echos Newsletter Editor - Mandy Keady attended the meeting and agreed to accept the Echoes editor position. She will work with Yvonne on December 2023 newsletter and take over in 2024. She will need a building key and key code for security system.
- 2nd story fire ladder – Jeanie is going to contact the local volunteer fire department and see if they would be willing to show us how to deploy the ladder for escape from 2nd story window.
- Tom Denning gift certificate – Marian brought up we need to plan on the \$100 gift certificate for mowing the yard and taking care of the grounds – tabled to end of summer.
- Paint Museum – Work is nearly complete and final payment will be due soon.
- Edwards Investment account - Charles Keady presented the board with information on current CD rates at Edward Jones. They are FDIC insured with no account fees. Emergency access is available, and CD's can be purchased in \$1000 increments for 3 mo., 6 mo., 9 mo., 1 year, 2 year and multiple years at current rates over 5.2%. \$30,000 investment would fund \$1560/year income.
- Kalmiopsis Wilderness slide presentation – We discussed Fred Bowan doing a 2 hour slide show as a fundraiser – Gil and Marian will coordinate with Fred, and we discussed using the school gym or Library business center. We may need to do this in October to allow for advertising and coordination.
- Mary D Home DVD offer – David Gauntlett offered to copy this for sale at the Museum. The board agreed to have 10 copies made.
- Rilea desk and chair offer – we agreed to accept these from former Agness postmaster family. They are estimated to be over 100 years old.

New Business –

- Annex heater – there is a burn spot on the wall in the Annex behind the heater. Gil looked at them and they are too close to the wall and need to be moved out a bit. We agreed that Jeremy Barto's helper should look at them and recommend a solution.
- Bonnie Cox book purchase – “Home and Away, a history of Coos/Curry County in WW I and WW II. Yvonne asked the Board to consider purchasing 6 books for our library for \$210. Jeanie motioned, Barbara seconded, and motion carried.
- Election of officers & board members – We agreed to accept the current officers and current board members for the next year. Dave motioned, Jeanie seconded, and motion carried.
- Website update - Amber Hughes will update our website at no cost. Dave provided her with the following potential additions; page for Echoes past editions, page for Board Minutes and Board biographies, page for donations and online book sales (Square contract), link to our Facebook page with current events. She asked for an updated photo of the museum after the painting is done.

There being no new business or additional discussion, Dave called for the motion to adjourn. Barbara moved to adjourn, seconded by Jeanie. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Sanders, President & Acting Secretary

Next meeting scheduled 17 October 2023 at 5:30 pm.

CURRY HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

October 17, 2023

AGENDA

Meeting opened:

Members present:

Absent:

Remarks by President:

Secretary Report:

Treasurer Report:

Accessions:

Deaccessions:

Old Business –

- Endowment investment plan – Edward Jones investment consideration.
- Lifeboat move – status Dave/Gil
- CTCF Grant status and Annex work plan – Barbara
- Pole sign and museum sign update – Mainstreet request - Dave
- Annual Advertising drive – Dave is contacting local businesses.
- Paint Museum project – contractor has finished project.
- Structure for lifeboat –contractor bids, grant started, donation money \$1475 – Jeanie/Gil/Barbara
- Bazaar entry plan – Nov 17th & 18th this year; Barbara will submit our application.
- Kalmiopsis slide show – Fred Bowan – Gil and Marian status
- OCF Grant status – we received notice that we WERE selected in the amount of \$1000.
- Website update - Amber Hughes needs to update website. Dave provided her with some ideas for additional information we can add to it.
- Annex heater – they need to be moved away from wall.

New Business –

- Signpost installation – Jennifer asked Dave if we knew when the street pole was installed and if there was a permit for it. The sign company needs to know.
- Donation letter for 2024 – Cape Blanco example
- Annex keypad – Barbara suggested we add keypad to Annex to make the process to access the building easier.
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Next Meeting date: Nov 21, 2023, at 5:30P – this is a holiday week, should we do it earlier?

Meeting adjourned: