EL CERRITO HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MINUTES

DECEMBER 19, 2017

Present: David Weinstein, Barbara Hill, Pat Shaw, Joanne Rubio, Chris Sterba

Absent: Tom Panas **Guest:** Chris Horn

Minutes: The Minutes of the November 21, 2017 Board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 2017

Income: Dues \$25.00

Gift \$60.00

Expenses: Gdn Rm.1/4/18 \$73.50

Restricted Funds: \$5,500.00 Unrestricted Funds: \$11,410.64

Total Cash Balance/Mechanics \$16,910.64

Conflict of Interest

This will be signed by all Directors at our January Board meeting. Tom will bring copies to be signed.

Annual Meeting - Sunday, January 14, 2018 - El Cerrito Community Center - 3:00 p.m. Presentation: Gary Prost - Geology of El Cerrito

David will send publicity for the Annual Meeting. An announcement will be posted on the ECHS website also. We will need to vote for the directors and officers of the ECHS Board. Some time will be spent in memorial mentioning Sandi Genser-Maack and her contributions to local history.

At the annual meeting the Board will recognize Rich Bartke and Dan Holzner. The Board approved the purchase of a tree and plaque (\$250-\$300) to present to Rich Bartke. Dan Holzner will receive a plaque as a thank you for his videos (filming events over the 2017 year). David will get more information about a tree and Tom will have the plaques made. Refreshments: cookies-David; beverages-Barbara; cups-Pat

ECHS Bylaws - Update

The Board decided to read over the bylaws and discuss them at the regular January 2018 meeting.

Possible Board Members/Volunteers - Dianne Brenner, Michael DeWitt, John Falconer, and Donna Houser

Sparks

This will be published on a monthly basis starting in 2018.

Forge

The Board is considering asking members if they want to receive the Forge via e-mail. We could include this question on our "Due's Statement".

Stage Coach in El Cerrito - Joanne submitted her article for publishing.

Louis Hagen-Barbara submitted first draft of this article.

Civil War - El Cerrito & Calif - Chis H. is writing this article for Feb. or March.

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Korematsu - Awareness Rights

Chris S. suggested the possibility of participating in the Korematsu January event - Awareness Rights - This will be January 30th in the evening. Chris will look into this and get back to the Board. The thought is to use some of our "Japanese Flower Growers" photos. Chris would be at the school to care for the photos. Some may be placed in a locked, glass case at the school.

Castro Family Parade Article/Photo

Joanne has contacted Janice Castro about writing an article regarding the Castro family's involvement in the Centennial Parade. We would publish this with photos of the parade and a group picture of the Castro families who came to the event. Joanne and Tom will work on this project.

Proposed Donation - Medical equipment circa 1950's

This was material dropped off at the recycling center. The Board decided to see if there is a medical museum who might be interested in these items.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Bev Ortiz - Native Americans - Focus on Ohlone/Huchiun people living in our area. Dave did contact her but no date is set as of yet.

Gambling - Sometime in June. Need to set a date.

Art Cars - Dave is in touch with local "Art Car" folks.

Sunset View Cemetery - Tom will lead this program as a walking tour around the cemetery.

Les Blank Documentary - Cerrito Theater.

Hillside Festival - Co-sponsored with Trail Trekkers.

This will be a 3-day event with a series of evening presentations.

El Cerrito's Birthday - August - (Possibly make this a yearly event.)

Music and presentation - Possibly invite musicians that played at recent Art/Culture Day. Cost would be around \$800. Perhaps this could be a shared expense with the Arts and Culture Commission.

House Tour - Campbell & Wong International Style house on View Avenue - April or May

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes submitted by J. Rubio, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 16. 2018