

# EL CERRITO HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MINUTES

**June 20, 2017**

**Present:** Rich Bartke, Barbara Hill, Pat Shaw, Joanne Rubio, David Weinstein, Tom Panas

**Absent:** Chris Sterba

The Minutes of the **May 16, 2017** Board meeting were approved with the correction of Margaret Kavanaugh-Lynch's name.

**Treasurer's Report** - Pat Shaw submitted Treasurer's Report for June 20, 2017.

Bank Balance: \$16,000

Memberships: (All considered to be family memberships)

2 New Lifetime Memberships since start of fiscal year (2/1/2017)

Current Memberships: 29 Lifetime, 12 Supporting, 41 Household

Expenditures: Fourth of July booth fee paid to the City of El Cerrito

Membership envelopes cost has been repaid to Debbie Weeks

**Meet With Board Members** - As the new acting president, Dave hopes to meet with each board member individually over the next month or so. His goal to get a better handle on how we operate.

**July 4th Event** - David will bring table, canopy, history quiz, Rodini/Mabuchi displays, bungee cords Tom will bring brochures/racks, membership envelopes, children's booklets, books, T-shirts, banners and sign-up sheets. **Prices for items:** \$20-Images Book; \$5-photos & T-shirts (option to discount)

## Schedule

**8:30 - Noon** Tom

**10 - 11:30** Chris

**Noon - 2** Pat

**Noon - 3** Barbara

**3 - 6** David      **4 - 6 Glen Nethercut** (David and Glen will tear down.)

**Policy on Acquisitions & Retention** - The Board reviewed the policy. More discussion is needed.

**Potential new Board Members or Major Volunteers** - David has several people in mind for Board membership or volunteering. He will invite them to the Board meeting. He suggested volunteers might be involved in social media outreach, digital archiving or other tasks.

**Possible Programs for 2018** - The Board agreed to have six programs in 2018. Suggestions include Earl Flat Top Smith, Sunset View Cemetery Tour, Mid-century Modern House, Geology of El Cerrito, Native Americans in El Cerrito and the Annual meeting. (David will work on contacts for the geology program and Joanne will send Dr. Beverly Ortiz's contact info to David.)

**The Oakland Peace Center** - The OPC has been in contact with Tom about displaying our collection of the Japanese Flower Growing Community photos at the OPC or "neighbor-organization's art gallery sometime in September 2017". Tom will check with them on theme, dates, credit/promotion and press. The Board discussed this possibility and our "Use Loan Agreement". The Board will discuss further and make a decision.

**Historic Preservation Ordinance** - Preservation issues. This will be a permanent agenda item.

**Future of Shadi Room.** We need to renew our lease in 2020 after 10 years.

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**El Cerrito Rotary** - The Rotary is celebrating its founding in 1949. They would like to publish an historical item. The Society will get back to them with suggestions as per their request.

**Backing up our archive** on the "Cloud", perhaps by using city server.

**Change date/time for September Meeting** - The Board approved changing our September meeting to **September 26th at 3:30 p.m.**

**Castro Descendants - September 16** - Joann S-B sent a note via Pat saying about 20+ Castro descendants will be coming for the EC Gala Weekend. She wanted to know thoughts about PR, interviewing them, special event for them or other ways to celebrate. The ECHS doesn't have anything planned at this time but will consider this. For now the Board suggested that the family be invited to the dinner the day they are here. This note was addressed to Joanne R. but needs to be considered by the Board. We will discuss further at our July meeting.

### **ECHS Centennial Events**

**Recap - Gambling Tour, Hillside Fest and Camp Herms tour**

**Castro Family Event, July 22, 7:00 p.m. - City Hall Chambers**

Talk/Slides: Castro Family at Castro Adobe 1839-1928 - Presenters: Joanne & Tom  
Cookies - David/Mary; Drinks/Cups - Pat and Barbara

**Recycling - July 19, 6 - Tour; 6:30 p.m. Panel Discussion**-Ken Little, Tom Padia, Scott Hannon  
David will be the facilitator for the panel discussion.

**Sundar Shadi Historical Room - August 17 - City Hall** - Presenter: Barbara Hill

3:30-4:30 Curating/Cataloguing Workshop

4:30-6:00 Shadi History Room Tour

**El Cerrito "Time Capsule"** - The Task Force will meet to decide on items and let us know.

### **AUGUST 23 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY EL CERRITO!**

**Cerrito Theater - September 14 - Talk by Joanne Taylor; 7 p.m. 1937 movie**

'36 Packard; period clothing; 2-pc band - Sponsored by ECHS and Friends of the Cerrito Theater

### **Speaker's Bureau**

**St. John's Senior Center**

**Chris** - "Taming the Wild West in the late 1940s" - August 8, 1:30-12:30

**David**: "City of Sin to City of Homes" - July 18

**Change September Meeting to Tuesday, September 26, 3:30.**

**Meeting Adjourned**

**Minutes submitted by J. Rubio, Secretary**

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, July 18, 2017**