Salado Historical Society Minutes

January 2, 2017

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Meeting Place: Salado Public Library

Board of Directors (BOD) members in attendance: Becky Butscher, Hans Fields, Judy Fields, Hulda Horton, Jeanie Lively, Dena Parks, Linda Reynolds, Cathy Sands, Gary Stripling, Knox Tyson, and Sandi Wicker. Not in attendance: Bill Kinnison, David Matthews, David Yeilding

1. The meeting was called to order by President, Sandra Wicker at 6:00 pm. A prayer was delivered. The Minutes from the November 7 meeting, although not read, are made a matter of record. There was not an SHS meeting in December and thus no Minutes. Sandi thanked board members for all their hard work accomplished in 2016 and acknowledged new BOD members: Becky Butscher, Jeanie Lively, Dena Parks, Linda Reynolds, and Cathy Sands. Each Board member present introduced themselves and an attendance list was signed by all present.

2. The Treasurers’ Report was provided by Knox Tyson on behalf of Treasurer Betsy Tyson. A separate copy of the Report is available which includes excellent results of approximately $8,900 raised from the Christmas Homes Tour. It was concluded by all present that the SHS is in excellent financial position starting the new year.

3. BOD Appointments for 2017 were made as follows:

Archiving Committee-Jeanie Lively

Awards Committee-Cathy Sands

Cabins & Cemetery Committee-Becky Butscher, Sandi Wicker, Judy Fields

Christmas Home Tour Committee-Dena Parks

Finance-Knox Tyson

Historic Preservation-Linda Reynolds

Membership-David Mathews

Memorials-David Mathews

Program Committee-David Yielding

Public Affairs/Publicity-David Yielding

Ways and Means- Hans Fields, Judy Fields

Immediate Past President; Bill Kinnison

BOD Appointments were approved by vote

4. Membership: Gary Stripling reported that we currently have 68 paid members for 2017 and that additional memberships had been received to be added to this number. Gary will send out an updated SHS Membership List to Board members after the meeting.

5. Old Business

* The Writer’s Cabin (Eustace and Ruby *Vickrey* Hutchens) was discussed and was unanimously voted by the Board to be the primary SHS Historical preservation project for 2017.
* Sandi and Gary provided photos of the Hutchens Writer’s Cabin, before it was disassembled, which were passed around for the board members to review.
* The intent is to re-create the cabin as it would have been at the time Eustace Hutchens wrote his book in the cabin.
* Action: Gary Stripling took an action to contact *Vickrey* / Hutchens descendants to determine the level of interest the family wants to participate in the project. NOTE: Carole Cicalese of New Jersey is a direct *Vickrey* descendant being the granddaughter of Eustace and Ruby *Vickrey* Hutchens, Bill Boyd of Georgia is a direct *Vickrey* descendant being the grandson of Louen *Vickrey*. Gary’s wife Beth is a direct descendent of the *Vickrey* family being the granddaughter of Athena *Vickrey* Berry.
* Action: Hans Fields took an action to get plans pulled together for reconstructing the cabin.
* Sandi Wicker has the original windows to be used in the reconstruction and will provide one to Gary to obtain measurements for scaling photographs for basic dimensions.

6. Three motions were made and both carried:

* The Writer’s Cabin being the primary historical project for 2017
* Hans Fields made a motion, seconded by Gary Stripling, that we agree to participate in the 2017 Cemetery Tour in conjunction with the Table Rock Theater. The tentative date for that function is October 1.
* Sandi Wicker made a motion that was seconded by Hans Fields that an SHS Scholarship be awarded to a Salado High School Senior that plans to major in History in the amount of $1500.00.

7. Meeting adjourned 7:20

Gary Stripling, Secretary