

Salado Historical Society

Minutes of Meeting

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January 7, 2019

Meeting Place: Salado Public Library

Board members in attendance: 1-Becky Butscher, 2-Lauren Drake, 3-Judy Fields (President.), 4-Marrienne Fiorenza, 5-Hulda Horton, 6-Andy Jackson, 7-Shirley Lett (Guest), 8-Jeannie Lively, 9-Dena Parks, 10-Linda Reynolds (Guest), 11-Cathy Sands, 12-Bonnie Smith (Treasurer), 13-Gary Stripling (Secretary), 14-David Williams (Vice President)

Not in attendance: 15-Sandi Wicker-Past President

- I. **Call to order: Judy Fields, President**, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Prayer: Andy Jackson opened the meeting with Prayer
Introduction of guests/members: Judy stated that all SHS Board Meetings are OPEN unless otherwise notified and introduced Shirley Lett and Linda Reynolds as guests at this meeting.
- II. **Approval of December Minutes: Gary Stripling, Secretary**, stated the the Minutes of Meeting for Dec 3, 2018 were emailed out to all Board members and asked if anyone had not received them. All acknowledged they had received Dec Minutes via email. Gary asked if there were any changes, comments, or questions to the Dec Minutes. There were none noted. A motion was made and seconded and the December Minutes were unanimously approved as written.
- III. **Treasurer's Report: Bonnie Smith, Treasurer**, provided a written and signed report for file and audit stating that as of 12/31/2018 the New Checking Balance was \$10,364.36 and our CD current value was \$10,235.29.
Total Checking and CD Accounts were \$20,599.65
Bonnie brought three bills to the Board for approval to pay.
1-Water Bill at \$26.00, 2-Chamber of Commerce non-profit membership at \$100.00 and \$34.89 reimbursement of costs Bonnie incurred.
The Board voted to make payments.
NOTE: No reimbursements from the Treasury will be made without prior agreement(s)/votes by the Board of Directors.
- IV. **By-Laws Review: Dave Williams, Vice President**, as discussed at the Dec meeting, Dave began a review of the SHS CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. The intent was to read the document out loud at the board meeting so that all Board members can understand what the document states and recommend any changes. Dave also provided a spreadsheet to all members that listed the 7 Purposes of the By-Laws and an initial start at the Committee responsible to accomplish each Purpose.
Due to time constraints, Judy requested we pause the review and stated we will **dedicate the Feb meeting to completing the review of the By-Laws**. The Board voted to pause the review at ARTICLE V, Section 2, Vice President. **All Board members are to read the Constitution and By-Laws and bring recommendations for updates and changes to the Feb Meeting.**

V. Directors of Committees to be established this meeting: Judy Fields, Pres.

- A. **Archiving:** 2019 Director position OPEN
- B. **Awards:** Cathy Sands offered to be the 2019 Director for the Awards Committee
- C. **Cabins:** Becky Butscher offered to be the 2019 Director of the Cabins Committee
- D. **Home Tours:** Judy stated that we will have a 2019 Homes Tour and that three (3) homes have already been identified. New Board member Shirley Lett recommended that the Home Tours be held on one (1) day only, Saturday, due to the demand on the home owners to host the public for three days. She also emphasized that Fri night is especially difficult with no lighting and no parking for some of the homes. The 2019 Director position is OPEN.
- E. **Finance:** 2019 Director position OPEN
- F. **Historic Preservation:** Lauren Drake offered to be the 2019 Director of the Historic Preservation Committee
- G. **Membership:** 2019 Director position OPEN
- H. **Memorials:** 2019 Director position OPEN
- I. **Programs:** 2019 Director position OPEN
- J. **Public Affairs:** 2019 Director position OPEN
- K. **Past President:** Sandi Wicker is the Past President and was on a trip to the Holy Land and was not able to attend the Jan meeting.

Note 1: Dave Williams emphasized that Directors of Committees comes from the SHS Board but that committee members should come from the membership at large not just from other board members.

Note 2: Article VII of the By-Laws deals with the election of Officers and Directors. There were those who offered to be 2019 Directors at the Jan meeting but there were no official nominations or election of Directors at the January Meeting. This will happen at the Feb. meeting after completion of the By-Laws review.

VI. Old Business: Judy Fields, Pres.

- A. **Home Tours:** Reactivated, must work with Tourism Department for Publicity, etc.
- B. **Comprehensive Planning Board:** Judy stated members must remain aware of what they are planning for Historic District: overlays. Judy encouraged everyone to attend the Planning Board meetings. Judy invited Don Ferguson to attend the SHS Jan. meeting to discuss the differences between “Historic District” and Historic Overlay” but he apparently was not able to attend. Judy stated that we must stay aware of the need to maintain the Salado Historic District. Historic Overlay is not in the best interest of the Historic District.
- C. **Any Further?** In accordance with the By-Laws, Article VII, Section 5, Gary Stripling, Secretary, requested all Directors / Committee Chairs of **2018 Committees** send him a one-page report summarizing their 2018 Committee activities. Bonnie Smith provided her 2018 Newsletter Report at the Meeting.

Gary also had available at the meeting his 2018 Report on the Hutchen's Writer's Cabin. After the Meeting, Cathy Sands sent an email to Gary with her 2018 Awards Committee Report. *If you were a Director / Committee Chair in 2018 please send your 2018 Report to Gary as a matter of record for the SHS.*

VII. New Business: Judy Fields, Pres.

- A. New Board Members:** Judy provided back ground on Shirley Lett and Linda Reynolds and nominated them to be new SHS Board members for 2019. A motion was made and seconded and the Board voted unanimously to add Shirley and Linda to the 2019 SHS Board of Directors. WELCOME Shirley and Linda.
- B. March Meeting:** Date, (March 4th), Location: (Salado Church of Christ), Identify speaker, food (Hulda said she would provide pork loin and the rest would be covered dish), advertise (article in Village Voice? Paid ad?), Linda Reynolds pointed out that we can advertise for free through the Chamber of Commerce Weekly Newsletter, Jeanie suggested we use nextdoor.com that works well for getting the word out.
- C. Georgetown Preservation Society:** find out how they keep interest in their programs
- D. Newsletter items: Bonnie Smith** needs inputs for Quarterly Newsletter.

ADJOURN: A motion was made and seconded and the meeting adjourned at 7:15. The next meeting will be Feb 4th at 6:00 pm. At the Salado Library

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