

Carson City Historical Society (CCHS) Minutes of Board Meeting Monday, Sept. 11, 2017 1:30 p.m. at the Carriage House 1207 N. Carson St., Carson City, NV

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Call to order: Vice President Debbie Lane called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m. in the Carriage House. Also present were Mike Williams, David Bugli, Mary DeFelice, Paula Cannon, D.D. Spencer, Loretta Williams, and Andrea Hobbes. There was a quorum. Andrea is new to the area and is interested in getting involved with CCHS. There were no agenda adjustments requested and no announcements.

Minutes: The minutes of the Aug. 14, 2017, meeting were reviewed. David was asked to change Curry St. to Carson St. in the heading and change Sprague to Spradlin. Mike moved, and Mary seconded, to approve the minutes with corrections. The motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Mike presented a profit-and-loss statement. In August, expenses exceeded income by \$496.27, but income exceeded expenses \$3230.01 for the year to date period (1/1-8/31/17). David suggested we do an internal financial review, and Debbie followed up by suggesting we do one in January, after the FY is done. Mike presented a third budget draft (he has drafted others for previous meetings), projecting \$14,800 in receipts and \$13,835 in expenses for FY2017 (1/1-12/31/17). David moved, and Mary seconded, to accept the budget. The motion passed. Mary moved, and David seconded, to receive and file the Treasurer's report. The motion passed.

Membership report: Mary reported no membership activity for the month. Mike offered a clarification as to the tax deductibility of memberships, as stated in the newsyletter. He concludes that membership donation dollars above the \$25 and \$35 basic level are considered deductible.

Secretary of State: David submitted the Secretary of State listing of officers and paid for it on his credit card on Aug. 29, before the deadline. He and some other Board members were not aware that Jed Block was the Resident Agent for CCHS. David presented a \$50 request for reimbursement to Mike for the Aug. 29th filing. Mary moved, and Debbie seconded, to reimburse David the \$50. The motion passed.

Cleaning furniture: There will be a clean-up date on Sept. 15 to prepare the Carriage House for the Sept. 24 meeting (see below). Debbie reported that Steam Pro met with her and Paula regarding cleaning up upholstered furniture pieces, which were moved from the Foreman-Roberts

House to the Carriage House. Estimates were a bit pricey (e.g., \$300 for a love seat, \$200 for chairs with upholstered arms). The total estimate was \$1500, which included \$500 for deodorizer. Steam Pro could come as early as Sept. 16 to do the work. Mike moved, and Mary seconded, to approve \$1000 for Steam Pro to clean, but not deodorize, the upholstered furniture. The motion passed. Paula will contact Steam Pro, and they might be scheduled for Sept. 15 or 18.

General meeting on Sept. 24: The meeting will be at 1:30. Loretta will provide snacks (finger foods), and we need to reimburse her. We expect about 30 to attend. Paula will donate some cider. There will be no special guest speaker, but Gary Cain will talk about the fires in 2016 and plans for the Society's future. We talked about using the old folding, wooden chairs. We could possibly sell them off in small lots. It is reported that they were from the Carson City Opera House that burned down in the 1930s. We need to buy paper party plates. Debbie proposed a \$100 budget for food and ancillary items. Mike moved, and David seconded, to approve up to \$100 for food and ancillary items for the party. The motion passed. Mary will do a press release.

Yard sales: Several board members were surprised to learn that the yard sale date got moved (again) to Sept. 16. (It had previously been scheduled for Aug. 5 and then for Sept. 30.)

Dolls and Teddy Bear Sales: Paula reported that the Carson City Culture and Tourism Authority (CCCTA, formerly Carson City Visitors Bureau or CCVB) prepared a beautiful 8.5"x11" poster for the event. The free event will be Sat., Oct. 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mary will do the press release.

Foreman-Roberts House: It was reported that very little work was done on the house recently. The organ and fainting couch went to a consignment place. There was no further discussion on progress on the Carriage House.

Collection policy: Discussion on this topic was deferred to a future meeting.

Jim Thorpe Video Project: Discussion on this topic was deferred to a future meeting.

Garden Tour (April 22, 2018): There will be a meeting to discuss this on Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 1:30 p.m. Paula is laying out the footprint of the yard for the garden clubs.

Paula Cannon topics: Paula had no special topics today.

Remembering Jan Perry: Jan died two years ago. Mary said the Presbyterian Church, as part of its renovations, is installing labeled bricks for \$250 each. Members of the Board would like to get a brick in remembrance of Jan, who did much for CCHS. Debbie suggested we ask members to donate. Mary will prepare a fundraising method.

Correspondence: There was no significant correspondence to report.

Newsyletter: The August letter went out Aug. 25 or so in electronic and paper form. Paula is still hoping we find a new editor to take over the editor position. She is too busy to continue.

Website and social media: David reported making some updates to CCHistorical.org last month.

Blue Line tour: Debbie reported that a committee met on Sept. 5 for the first time. Some grant money is coming to CCCTA (formerly CCVB) for Blue Line improvements. The east side tour idea may be taking root.

Next meeting: The next Board meeting is Oct. 9 (Columbus Day) at 1:30 at the Carriage House.

Leisure Hour Club: Debbie would like to have the Leisure Hour Club go through *their* archival materials sometime in the Carriage House. We need more tables in the Carriage House for such work. She had hoped to use the Carriage House on Sept. 23, but that will not work because the Doll and Teddy Bear event is the next day. Cindy Southerland will lead the review project. Another date needs to be found for the review.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by David Bugli, Secretary, on 10/8/2017.

A committee is a group that keeps minutes and loses hours.
-Milton Berle