

LAKE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Board Meeting Saturday September 12, 2020
Ely Stage Stop & Country Museum – Barn

Present: Marilyn Holdenried, Bonnie Skee, Fred Castaldo, Bill Lane, Suzanne Schutz, Lee Cook, Georgett Eggel, Kevin Ness and John Parker.

The meeting was called to order at 10am by President Marilyn Holdenried who led us in the flag salute.

Minutes: The minutes of our last board meeting on August 1, 2020 were reviewed. With one change in wording, Georgett moved to approve, Kevin 2nd and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Our current bank balance is \$31,947.78. There has not been much happening due to Covid19. Bonnie moved to approve, Lee 2nd, and all agreed.

Director of Public Outreach: We have 73 single members, 65 families and 94 lifetime members for a total of 232 members. The open rate for Constant Contact has been going down the last 5 months. Georgett reported that we can reopen the house September 21st per the Lake County Health Department.

Ely Stage Stop & Country Museum: Bill and others will be working on the native garden project with Jerry Marquis. A Halloween "Trunk or Treat" is in the works, possibly a drive through in collaboration with Clearlake Riviera HO Association. Bill let us know the smoke alarms are not working in the house. He is wondering if we still need AES security and will contact Lars Ewing at the County of Lake to discuss the situation. We are hoping we can use the same security system the County has.

Kevin mentioned the railroad exhibit at the fairgrounds may be available for the taking. Kevin will look into it further and let us know.

Events: Suzanne reported we plan to have the Fiddlers' Jam for October and November. A gathering with the board, docents and volunteers was discussed. In fact a date was set for Sunday, October 18, 2020 and we will have our award ceremony from 2019. Wine and snacks are planned and will be discussed later.

Museum Collections: John said they are still working on the Hoberg collection. John picked up the equipment to connect the cameras from the house to the barn for security.

Book Sales: Phil is on vacation at this time.

By Law Changes: Since everyone had time to review the changes, Lee moved to approve as written, John 2nd, approved.

Interpretive Signage Donation: We received a \$500 donation from the Lakeport Women's Civic Club for this project. Marilyn will reach out to Geri Groody who was going to work on the signs for us.

Lee suggested a Picnic in the Park possibly with the Model A Club next spring. After a discussion, it was decided that Suzanne will check with the Model A Club to see if they might be interested.

Georgett is working on the 2021 Destinations magazine for the Chamber of Commerce. Any events we want to advertise can be put in the publication. She needs the information by October 1st.

Bill brought up the fact that next year will be the 10th anniversary for Ely. We need to be thinking of what we want to do and a date in July 2021 since our open house was July 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Skee

Recording Secretary