

Friends of the History Center

Board meeting, Nov. 5, 2019

Attending: Rob Lawrence, John Bemrose, Nancy Barrera, Pam Stranahan, Leah Oliva, David Kroskie, Maureen Winkelman, Kathryn Morrow

President Rob Lawrence called the meeting to order and declared a quorum. David Kroskie was elected to the board with a term 2019-2021. Minutes for October meeting and the P & L report were approved. Nominations for 2020-2022 terms on the board: Leah Oliva, Maureen Winkelman, John Bemrose, Robert Lawrence and Linda Haynes (returning) were approved for consideration.

Executive committee report included approval to order 25 additional *Foodways* books; to date 365 books have sold; Tuesday Dec. 10, 5:30 PM will be date for pot luck for board and docents; Ancestry is set up for premium members and Kathryn Morrow will give tutorials by appointment; Quickbooks for nonprofits will be used beginning in 2020.

Education committee: outside exhibit will include shellcrete wall from Lamar, piece from 1889 courthouse and chunk from the rocky ledge (limestone strata that served Rockport as good harbor). Vintage Holiday exhibit will be partially in place by Nov. 22, 2019. Exhibits for 2020 will be Hispanic Heritage (Jan. 11 –), women of Aransas County (May - ), and sails, trails & rails (Sept. - ). We will set up a table Dec. 14, 2-5:30 PM at the Fulton Mansion grand opening. Kathryn, Rob and Pam will attend. A scout troop from Corpus Christi came to Center for coaching on their merit badge in archeology. Dave Kroskie and Pam Stranahan along with Kam Wagert talked to them 9-12 AM on Oct. 27.

Finance Committee: John Bemrose submitted the 2020 budget that was approved.

Development committee: Nancy Barrera will call folks who have not renewed. She will submit proposals to Wells Fargo and Summerlee Foundation for the long-term exhibit. A donor event – Travel Back in Time (tour in downtown by van) - will be held Sun. Dec. 15, 3-5 PM.

Publicity is being handed by Becky Sanders, the administrative assistant. Brochures are kept in displays around town. A webinar by THC on marketing will be held Nov. 12, 2:00 PM – all are invited to attend at the history center.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 10, 5:30 PM during the potluck dinner at the Inn at Fulton Harbor, community room on the second floor.