

Crook County Museum District Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2024, 5:30 pm

Hulett Museum

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the CCMD Board was held in Hulett, WY on July 22, 2024 at the Hulett Museum. Chairperson Andrea Wood called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

The meeting opened with the following board members present: Chairperson Andrea Wood, Amy Goodson, Galen Moline, Neal Gray, Amy Boswell and Laurie Marchant arrived late. Exec. Director, Alex Reynolds, Rocky Cockran and Korina Ike were present.

VISITOR

Laurie Tucker (secretary) and Barb Goodvin (Vice President) from the Hulett Museum Foundation were visitors. Laurie felt there is a lack of communication between local boards and the Crook County Museum District board. She expressed frustrations on not being able to find any current CCMD meeting minutes on any websites. Laurie would like for meeting agendas to also be posted for the locals. Lastly, she is upset that she has not been able to access the Hulett Museum from the new CCMD website. She stated that she has tried using several different search engines as well as devices.

Chairperson Wood asked Alex to check into why the minutes aren't being posted on the county website. Chairperson Wood explained that the new website has not turned out as the board had expected and we are working on improving it. Alex stated that she has been in contact with the designer specifically about this issue and they are working on resolving it. She will continue to follow up on this.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Neal G made the motion to adopt the agenda. Gayle M seconded. All approved and motion passed.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Hulett Museum: Korina stated that the Quilt Show is coming soon. She will be attending the WY Historical Society's annual meeting in Newcastle. Visitation has been good for August.

Crook Co. Museum: Rocky stated the Sip n Walk tours are coming to an end this week. He has been researching the historical Aladdin and area baseball teams. Some families have been dropping off cool memorabilia. There were 640 guests during the month of July.

West Texas Trail Museum: Cindy was out of town but submitted her report electronically for the board. Chairperson Wood reminded everyone that the Heritage Roundup is coming up in Moorcroft.

Old Stoney: Missy was out of town but submitted her report electronically for the board.

Executive Director's Report: Alex reported that the website is still throwing the "oops message" when accessing Hulett Museum link. (This is the issue Laurie Tucker also addressed). She will continue to follow up with Summer. She showed board members that the Crook County Promotion Board has the link to our new site. Alex has been working with Missy to reconcile admissions for Old Stoney. June was their trial/practice month. Admissions and donations need to be kept separate. Whenever donations are received donors need to clarify which museum they are donating to and funds be directed accordingly. Alex is going to change from monthly to weekly reconciliations. Lastly, discussion was held on the annual report. We need an inventory list of all items the district owns. Directors will work on the best way to do that. Discussion on whether or not the treasurer's stamp needs to be registered with the SOS. Alex will follow up on this and report back.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Amy G moved to approve the July meeting minutes, bills, and treasurer's report as presented. Laurie M seconded. All approved and motion passed.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Chairperson Wood gave an update on the Business Council grant. The meeting will be held in Laramie on Sept. 11 – time yet to be determined. Anyone can attend virtually. Alex will push on social media with a link. We need continued public support.

Further discussion was held on Old Stoney's website. All the director's need to meet again to determine all info they want on the site then we will revisit Old Stoney's site.

The CWAM (Colorado Wyoming Association of Museums) 2027 meeting will be held in WY. Discussion was held on whether we wanted to host the event in Crook County/Sundance. The event could include 100-300 people. It is normally held in May. Alex will get more details and report back to the board.

Neal G moved to end the use of the timeclock on the computer and replace it with a spreadsheet. Laurie M seconded. Discussion was held. Amy G moved to amend Neal's motion and continue using the electronic timeclock until the directors have a plan to replace it with. Neal seconded. Amendment passed and motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laurie M moved to go into executive session. Amy G. seconded. Motion carried.

Laurie M moved to end executive session at 6:57. Amy G. seconded. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

Alex caught an error in the budget for Old Stoney utilities. Laurie M moved to allocated money from adv and promotions to cover the difference. Amy G seconded. All approved and motion carried.

Neal G moved to adjourn the meeting. Amy G seconded, all approved. Chairperson A. Wood adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Next meeting will be in Moorcroft on Sept. 23, 2024.

Submitted by A. Boswell 8/27/2024