

Crook County Museum District Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2024, 5:30 pm

West Texas Trail Museum, Moorcroft, WY

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the CCMD Board was held in Hulett, WY on Sept. 23, 2024 at the West Texas Trail 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 Boswell, Galen Moline, Neal Gray, Laurie Marchant, and Amy Goodson via phone. Exec. Director; Alex Reynolds, Directors; Rocky Cockran, Cindy Mosteller and Korina Ike were present. Missy Gill arrived later.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Laurie M made the motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of a policy committee. Gayle M seconded. All approved and motion passed.

VISITOR

Several members of the Hulett Museum Foundation were present; Laurie Tucker (Treasurer), Barb Goodvin (Vice President), and Twila Pilcher (Secretary). Pam Jespersen (Treasurer) from the Moorcroft Historical Society was also present.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Hulett Museum: Korina stated that 73 people attended the Quilt Show.

Crook Co. Museum: Rocky has been researching past bowling alleys in Sundance. He has been busy revamping cases for exhibits and planning for Halloween at the museum.

West Texas Trail Museum: Cindy has started working with the town of Moorcroft on making a written record of burials in the cemetery. About 70 people attended the recent Heritage Days Fundraiser. Field trips have started.

Old Stoney: Missy reported that the a/c unit was not working properly since the last storm but has been recharged. Their decorations for Homecoming (Monopoly) won!

Executive Director's Report: Alex stated she has squared away the insurance. She fixed an article that listed Hulett as being west of Devils Tower instead of north. She has begun building a list of the fixed assets. Alex requested clarification from the board that bank fees go into Old Stoney account. Neal G confirmed that is accurate. Neal opened the new bank statements and reviewed for accuracy.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Neal G moved to approve the Consent Agenda including the August meeting minutes, bills, and treasurer's report as presented. Galen M seconded. All approved and motion passed.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Chairperson Wood gave an update on the WY Business Council grant. Andrea, Amy G and Mayor Brookes from Sundance attended the meeting. Senator Driskill assisted in getting this done since the restructuring of the grant. The Attorney General will review the submission and we should hear back from them in October. Should see funding in December.

Nothing to report on CWAM; will have more information at the next meeting.

There is a job opening at the Hulett Museum and Art Gallery for the director position. The Museum Foundation will collect applications and select 3-4 candidates to them pass on to the Museum District Board.

There are openings on the board. Neal G is not seeking re-election. Amy B expressed that she chose not to run for re-election and is resigning. This will be her last meeting. Galen is running for re-election. It takes 5 votes to win as a write-in candidate.

The board would like to form a policy committee. It is the vision that this board will consist of members from all museum foundations. Galen and Amy G will serve from this board. We will invite the other foundations to delegate a member for the committee. Galen will reach out to the Old Stoney Foundation. Pam Jespersen was invited to serve for Moorcroft.

ACTION ITEMS

Amy G met with the directors to brainstorm and discuss the issues regarding the time clock. They came to no conclusion though. Neal G made the motion to abandon the time clock with the understanding that there is no overtime and continue to use the spreadsheet. Laurie M seconded. Discussion held. All approved and motion passed.

Neal G is leaving office and the issue of bonding needs to be addressed. Alex will inquire more about blanket bonding. Anyone on the accounts must be bonded. Alex will report with more information at the next meeting.

We have an unpaid invoice from April for the Sundance Chamber. Laurie M moved to pay it. Galen M seconded. All approved, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laurie M moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Galen M seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Laurie M moved to exit executive session at 6:43 pm. Neal G seconded. All approved and motion passed.

Action Items

Laurie M moved to pay Korina Ike 79.5 hours remaining at her usual pay rate. Neal G seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Amy G moved to accept Korina Ike's resignation as Hulett Director and Amy Boswell's resignation as a board member. Neal G seconded. All approved and motion carried.

Laurie M moved to adjourn the meeting. Galen M seconded, all approved. Chairperson A. Wood adjourned the meeting at 6:47 pm.

Next meeting will be in Sundance on Oct. 21, 2024.

Submitted by A. Boswell 9/26/2024