

Rio Blanco County Historical Society Board

April 28th, 2022

Attendance: Niki Turner, Chance Walker, Jan, Kay Bivens, Trudi Burri, Sparky Pappas, Kevyn Mack, Terri Reed, Scott Reed, Emily Mohr

Call to order 5:51

Minutes – tabled

Agenda additions – insurance inspection update

Motion to add – Niki

Public participation – none

Committee Reports

Executive Report

Sent the letter out for Nancy Kramer, will be here next week.

Will get the first update on the byway since before covid.

Range Call – met with the board to discuss sponsorship level. Offered the 2500 package for the price of the 500 package. Will be on all marketing materials. Offered Jay's new script, open to changing in the future. Possible partnerships with other orgs (MACC?) to keep the story and color but correct verbiage and make sure it is correct.

Motion to approve ad payment – Kay, second Emily, all in favor.

Suzan Pelloni will be hosting our root beer float booth. Will advertise more this year and hopefully get more attendance.

Old timers – Meeting brought the decisions that they could later become an organization under the RBCHS. Another meeting next month. The Website needs updating, a better way to take membership fees. Moving the annual event to august, will confirm at next meeting. Maybe just be a support organization, not a sponsor or more until they are more organized and ready to present a plan to the board and offer a partnership. Then board will vote.

Insurance inspection – went really well, they were impressed.

Kevyn and Barb are labeling items and accessioning new items as they are being found.

Rural Schools – tabled

Milk Creek – Tabled

Capturing our Culture – going slowly, takes a lot of time to transcribe all the interviews. Would like to use all the interviews being done with MHS alumni.

Website – Reagan is doing great, working on getting everything updated and moved over to new website. Ongoing process. Working with Kay to get the QR codes on the walking paths to connect to the website. Will be getting Reagan a graduation gift

Bank robber's trail – signs are up at the park and clock tower, posts are finished, working with the cemetery to get new signs in place. Sign at museum are up, directional signs are going up with the help of the county to the school houses and other historic locations.

Working on the flyers to show the driving and walking paths. Kevyn is making the stencils for the boot prints on the sidewalks, will be done soon. Rec center is going in with us to do a grand opening at the Meekerpalooza on June 24th.

Signs for the first Indian agency are faded and hard to read, Kay will pursue ideas of metal signs to replace them and have the new QR code on them.

Policies, Procedures, Bylaws – Chance.

- Changed small details like times of our quarterly meetings, etc.
- Bigger ones: Executive Director should have a spending limit before needing board approval. – \$500 for ED, \$250 for committee chair. Any amount over this that was not previously approved is not guaranteed to be reimbursed.
- All outgoing checks should be signed by two board members, including payroll checks.
- Any spending that is not in the budget should be itemized and presented to the board for approval before going forward.
- Need a future plan for which members take on what responsibility in the case that the Executive Director needs to take an extended leave of absence.
- Any future project that exceeds \$1000 will go out for bid. Must be fiscally responsible with our funding.

Should have new documents looked at by lawyers for final approval.

Motion to add Chance Walker to general bank account to allow him to sign payroll checks – Trudi, second Niki, all in favor.

Chance will apply all new additions to the bylaws and send out a copy to the board by email for approval.

Main Street – strategic planning session May 7th – 8th, open to anyone who wants to attend. In June, will have a board training session for any and all boards with an interest.

Strategic Plan – tabled

MACC – doing 9-5 for Community Theater

Mustang Makeover – continuing onward despite setbacks.

Land marking signage – have some interested companies to make them whenever we are ready, then will go out for bid. Looking to start with the first 4 buildings and the first 4 homes to label with new signs as historic landmarks.

Chance **motion** to adjourn 7:30. All in favor.