

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Capitola Historical Museum Board of Trustees on December 2, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Kisling called the Regular Meeting of the Capitola Historical Museum Board of Trustees to order at 5:32 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2021, Online via Zoom.

PRESENT: Board Members, Brian Legakis, David Peyton, Emmy Mitchell-Lynn, Gordon van Zuiden, Dean Walker, and President Niels Kisling
Youth Representative Joshua Henshaw
ABSENT: Board Member Pamela Greeninger
STAFF: Museum Curator Deborah Osterberg
GUESTS: None

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Consider Minutes of November 4, 2021

President Kisling asked if everyone had a chance to review the draft Minutes and asked if there were any corrections.

ACTION: Seeing none, the following action was taken:
Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Peyton, to approve the Minutes of November 4, 2021, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND CURATOR

A. President's Report

President Kisling ran into videographer Kathy D'Angelo, who does our Capitola Memories Project oral histories. He told Kathy she should link up with our new Curator, Deborah Osterberg.

B. Curator's Report

Curator Osterberg read her Monthly Curator's Report. Board Member Legakis described an exhibit he attended in which the public was able to give comments about the exhibit ahead of opening, and those comments were integrated into the new exhibit when it opened. Board Member Mitchell-Lynn said that incorporating public comments into the new exhibit would be worthwhile and perhaps some type of mechanism can be included in the exhibit to capture public comments. Curator Osterberg she liked some similar things which the Santa Cruz Museum of Art & History did along those lines, but there were other aspects she did not favor. The idea would be considered.

C. Report on Volunteers

President Kisling was pleased that we were able to fill all of last weekend's volunteer slots. He is planning to send out an email to all volunteers with a reminder about our upcoming Holiday Volunteer Open House event on Friday, December 10. Board Member Peyton said the museum had 442 visitors in November.

5. BUSINESS

A. Planning for Volunteer Holiday Gathering/Meet & Greet Curator – December 10th

Board Member Mitchell-Lynn said she would arrive a little late for the event. Board Member van Zuiden said he was unable to attend the event. On Monday Curator Osterberg and President Kisling and Board Member Peyton will pick up the event supplies at storage. Board Member Legakis will bring a large fruit tart. Board Member Walker will bring an appetizer plate. President Kisling said to plan for about 30 attendees.

5. BUSINESS (Continued)

B. Expanded Museum Storage – Moving Help

Curator Osterberg said that the museum is getting a slightly larger storage unit (10' x 10') to replace our current storage unit which is 9' x 5' used for storing event supplies and exhibit mounts, etc. The purpose was to move a couple of the collection artifacts out of the event supply unit and into proper artifact storage, and to make space for storage of past mounted exhibit images currently stored with the artifacts and archives. Curator Osterberg said it is standard that non-collection items not be stored in collection spaces. She also felt that moving these non-collection items would open up quite a bit of space for additional artifacts and archives in the other storage units which are currently overcrowded. The event storage unit cost will increase from \$105 per month to \$185 per month, but will give us nearly twice as much space. President Kisling and Board Member Peyton agreed to assist the Curator in moving items to the new unit on Monday. Curator Osterberg said she would also contact Volunteer Linda Smith so the Frank Hill wall murals stored in her unit could be checked on and plans could be made for their later move into freed up storage space.

C. New Year's Museum Exhibit

Curator Osterberg spoke about the progress on next year's exhibit "*Capitola – In the Eye of the Beholder.*" The exhibit idea is still in development but coming along. The exhibit will incorporate both artwork and historic artifacts and the text will be primarily quotes from different individuals who had varying perspectives and experiences of Capitola over the years. There will be panels on the views of Capitola from the Pioneers, to the Promoters, to the Pleasure seekers, to the Developers, to the Conventioneers, to the Artists, to the Residents, etc.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

Board Member Mitchell-Lynn ordered 12-month 2022 Museum Calendars from Vista Print. The cost was under \$500. The 50 calendars should arrive between December 6 to 9th. There was discussion that an email should be sent to the volunteers informing them of the calendars and that they would be available for purchase at the Holiday Open House on December 10th. She also said to contact her if any board members wished to reserve a calendar. President Kisling offered to send the email if Board Member Mitchell-Lynn wrote it.

Board Member van Zuiden met with Rex Walker. He is also getting ready for his book on photographer Ravnos.

7. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion of Board Member Mitchell-Lynn, seconded by Board Member van Zuiden, the Capitola Historical Museum Board of Trustees unanimously adjourned at 6:23 p.m. to its next regular meeting to be held on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., Online via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah Osterberg
Museum Curator/Acting Secretary

APPROVED BY THE BOARD AT ITS MEETING ON 1/6/2022