

Capitola Historical Museum Board of Trustees – Board Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Peyton at 5:03 pm.

Members present were: Trustee Enrique Dolmo, Trustee Mary Hay, Trustee Brian Legakis, Trustee Emmy Mitchell-Lynn, Trustee Roger Wyant and Trustee Gordon van Zuiden. Also present were:

Youth Representative Juliette Thompson and Curator Deborah Osterberg and walk-in guest, Gordon P.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Brian Legakis spoke about Southern California Museums; Frank Lloyd Wright, Griffith Observatory/Planetarium, Academy of Motion Pictures (new building). A brief discussion regarding the last storm, waves, and damage around parts of the county.
- Deborah Osterberg noted a phone call regarding models of the Trestle and Wharf being donated to the Museum. Another follow-up noted is to call Gary Clark regarding Starfish and Bathing costumes. She will follow up this month.
- Brian Legakis asked for clarity of 5-D of the December Minutes regarding the ways the Museum is assisting the Capitola Wharf Enhancement Project. Discussion ensued, with Gordon van Zuiden noting that, for an idea of the timeline, NOAA should present the grant this month. A special collection box will be borrowed from CWEP and labelled CWEP donations only.

Dave Peyton suggested continuing to promote fundraising for CWEP.

Extended discussion ensued on alternate funding on sign.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of January 4, 2024. President Dave Peyton asked if everyone had the chance to review the draft of the minutes and if there are any corrections. Seeing none, the following action was taken:

ACTION: Trustee Brian Legakis moved to accept the minutes as presented and was seconded by Trustee Enrique Dolmo with the minutes accepted as presented.

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND CURATOR

A. President Dave Peyton had nothing to report at this time.

B. Curator Deborah Osterberg Report (see attached reports).

She noted that the Museum now has 4 storage units. She then mentioned \$1404 received in donations. (See attached for full report)

C. Deborah gave an overview of her yearly accomplishments with approximately 530 volunteer museum hours for the year, a total of approximately 7384 visitors to the museum and 42 research requests received.

D. Report on Visitors. President Dave Peyton reported we had 357 for the month of December as opposed to last year's total of 249. Winter weather often impacts visitor attendance..

5. BUSINESS

A. Museum Collection. Deborah reported on the Davis donation, the challenges faced in accepting the donation, and the result of the donation being rescinded by Mr. Davis. The donation was comprised of post cards, newspapers and other printed material that was not generally focused on Capitola.

B. Discussion of plans for the Spring Volunteer Training Session and volunteer recruitment.

a. President Dave Peyton stated the date of the event will be Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 11:00 – 1:00. *The date has

subsequently been changed to Saturday, February 24 at the same time*

b. Deborah Osterberg will the get email from Volunteer Center and groups to Volunteer. At this point, Brian Legakis noted he will be unavailable from January 5-14.

C. 2024 Exhibition – “Little City Under Canvas” – The 150th Anniversary of Camp Capitola – coordinate assistance for removing 2023 Exhibition. Enrique, Roger, and Dave volunteered to assist with this project.

D. Discuss plans/speakers for the 2024 Exhibition Opening on March 16, 2024. It was suggested that Mrs. Freitas (author of Venetian book) and Carolyn Swift be asked to be our speakers.

E. Winter Issue of Museum Newsletter, Capitola Sunset. Articles due by January 19, 2024. Book Review from Emmy.

F. Updates or suggestions for new sales items. Credit Card Issue solved. We have 20 Calendars left. Thankyou cards need to go out to donors. Brian and Emmy volunteered to assist with this project, and I volunteered to assist as my time allows.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Volunteer Committee

Will be at 4:00 pm prior to the meeting at 5:00pm.

B. City Safety Committee

Deborah attended a Safety Committee Breakfast Meeting at Zeldas.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Capitola Museum Board of Trustees will adjourn to its next regular meeting, to be held on Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 5:00 pm. The meeting will be in-person in the Community Room (masks highly recommended) at the Capitola City Hall Community Room located at 420 Capitola Avenue. Motion to Adjourn made by Trustee

Emmy Mitchell-Lynn and seconded by Board Trustee Gordon van Zuiden and was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary E. Hay, Secretary