

TULARE COUNTY MUSEUM BOARD MEETING

July 20, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.

The Museum Board members met on July 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. Present were Kevin Caskey, Amy King, Lee Terkelsen, Darla Wegener, and Joanne Ledbetter. Kyle Taylor was absent.

Welcome: Kevin welcomed everyone to the meeting and started the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes: Lee made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction to remove the sentence “Amy discussed and showed the items or photos and feedback was provided by Kevin and Lee, but not votes were officially taken” from the May 25 Museum Board Meeting and seconded by Joanne. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: None to report currently.

MUSEUM CURATOR INPUT:

⇒**School Visits:** May - 18 schools, 1135 children, 213 adults, 1348 total
June – 3 schools, 210 children, 12 adults, 222 total

⇒**Total Museum Visits (Not including the school visits):**

May: Adults - 615 Children - 336 Total – 951 **2019** – 1428 total
June: Adults – 624 Children – 379 Total – 1003 **2019** – 1583 total

⇒**Donations:**

- Jody Vollmer delivered the player piano to the museum. It is in working condition and we have already had it playing for guests.

⇒**Maintenance and exhibit update:**

- The Caminos exhibit has moved to Merced, and we are installing vignettes of the cultural exhibits from past displays.
- There is a new exhibit courtesy of MKPS in the Middle Room on packing.
- Amy is working with TCHS to plan the October Fundraiser (Oct.7 @3:30 \$60 Gilly Girls)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

⇒**Budget:** Amy reviewed the distributed budget with the board and indicated that it shows the totals through the end of the fiscal year. She indicated this is a preliminary budget for the final one to be presented. Darla asked for a draft budget for this year and Amy will get it and email it to the board and also go over it at the next meeting.

⇒**New Building Project:** Still waiting on gutters and the finer mesh to put over the openings. Amy offered to take everyone over for a tour after the meeting to see of the equipment that has been put inside so far. Amy is working on making the signs and the photos and text for the walls.

NEW BUSINESS:

⇒ Action Item: Bylaws – Kevin made a motion to accept the bylaws put forward to the board at the last meeting and Darla seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Amy will work on an agenda item to present to the Board of Supervisors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

⇒ We are in the process of hiring another extra help position.

CURATOR REPORT:

- ⇒ Southeast Asian Exhibit will be the next display in the cultural gallery.
- ⇒ Viewpoints production contacted Amy about the Museum.

The meeting is adjourned at 3:00 p.m. **Next meeting** scheduled for **September 21, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.** in the theater.