El Paso de Robles Area PIONEER MUSEUM

Board Minutes March 11, 1999

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Bob Bryant at 7:00 p.m. at the museum with cookies and fudge served by Les Hoffman. Other board members present were Jean Sudden, Milene Radford, Keith Tarwater, Ole Viborg, Paul Ernst, Rod Reuting, Glenn Muggelberg, Steve Cichorsky, Tom Flynn, and guest Joyce Sommer.

Minutes: It was moved by Jean and seconded by Glen that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved. Passed.

Financial: The financial report for February was distributed with income in the amount of \$1,649.85 and expenses in the amount of \$642.98.

Attendance for February: 113

Upcoming Events:

Wed., May 5, Chamber of Commerce Agri-business tour will begin at the museum. Tuesday, May 11, eighty children (four classes of third graders) from Monarch School in Los Osos will visit the museum.

July 17, Telephone Pioneers BBQ

Maintenance: The front door needs attention: it needs to be glued back together. (The wind has blown it completely open and weaken it.)

Thermostats: Kevin Hansen was at the museum for a couple of hours and reset the time, temperature, etc. They have been set at 55 degrees except during museum hours when the temperature is set for 65 degrees. Unfortunately, it should be possible to override the setting, but it doesn't seem to be working that way.

Displays: There was a discussion about the area where the telephone display was located. It was moved by Paul that Keith, Byby, and Bob get together and decide what to put in it. Seconded by Glenn and passed.

More descriptions and pictures to go with the farm equipment are needed.

Shop: The need to secure the shop area was discussed.

Pole Building Addition: Bob presented plans drawn by Nick Gilman. Bob will proceed with cost estimates.

Special Meeting: There was a report on a joint meeting with representatives from the museum, fair, and city where they discussed the area behind the museum, the possibility of the fair having access along the freeway (instead of using Gregory Street), etc. It was moved by Paul, seconded by Glenn, that Bob draft a letter expressing interest in the property if it would become available at some time in the future. Passed. Bob will consult with the Pioneer Day Committee.

Directed Arts Grant: Milene reported that through a referral from Phil Tognazzini she has been in contact with a saddle maker in Oregon who has grant money available for his use from a private foundation, but he needs to go through a non-profit organization (such as our museum) to get the funds. He wants to research the art of California saddles around the time of the gold rush and make five saddles over a five-year period of time which would be displayed. It was moved by Paul, seconded by Keith, that we explore our liability through the Jamison Foundation. Passed.

Inventory: Glenn reported that he has an on-going list of inventory numbers and when new [old] items come in, it is important to continue on from the last number. He plans to set up a crew to permanently mark items. Paul has purchased a numbering set to imprint permanent numbers on tags for the outside equipment but needs to know which numbers have been assigned.

Information for Docents: Joyce mentioned that more information about the items is needed for the docents. They often are asked questions which they are unable to answer.

Chevron Station Pump: Ole will talk with Don Campbell regarding this.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Milene F. Radford Board Secretary

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Next Board Meeting: Thursday, April 8, 1999