

Minutes of HCHS Monthly Meeting
March 13 2023

In Attendance: Sheila Maki, Marjorie True, Bob McHugh, Dan Hilleman, Terra Hegy, Lois Cotten Mike Davis, Jill VanDenBerg, Bill Houseweart, Chuck Shelden, Vickie Simpson Randy Danneman, Carl Clay ,Renae Meredith.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mike Davis, VFW Post Commander, Retired.

In preparation for "A Love of Music Kind of Place" program on Saturday March 18th from 1-4 at the Museum, Sheila Maki reported the things that she and Cristen Chermak have put together. There will be several musical talents including, perhaps, a bagpiper who will play outside to draw people in.

Renae Meredith, Recording Secretary, presented the minutes of the January 9th monthly meeting, and they were approved as presented.

Lois Cotten, Treasurer, presented the balance in our checking account as of March 13 as \$6972.82 with 72 memberships paid to date. Chuck Shelden moved and Vickie Simpson seconded the motion for approval of the report. Unanimous consent.

A proposal was brought up to donate \$50.00 to Memorial Hall. Jill VanDenBerg moved and Mike Davis seconded the motion for approval. Unanimous consent.

Joe Oglesby asked about purchasing a flag to stay at the Town of Crawford Community Room as a way to thank them for the use of the room for our annual meeting February 12 . Joe Oglesby made the motion to donate \$50 to help purchase the flag, and Marjorie seconded the motion. Motion approved. (The \$50 will be made payable to the Crawford American Legion which is leading the way on this effort. The total cost is approximately \$450.)

DEEEP has contacted us to invite us to participate in a project they've initiated to teach about the history of the Dominguez- Escalante Expedition that came into our area in 1776 from Sante Fe, the capital city of the New Mexico Colony of what was then part of the New Spain . Lois Cotten will ask Janice Cooper if she is interested. Also, Vickie Simpson's daughter is considering participating, and Joe Oglesby has been approached about any interest he might have in joining our representation on the DEEEP team. (DEEEP Colorado is a statewide effort, called the Dominguez-Escalante Expedition Education Project, It is composed of over 60 volunteers who will assist in telling the story of the Expedition into Colorado in 1776 in classrooms and communities throughout the area of the expedition.)

Planning for the Arbor Day program, "A Tree Planting Kind of Place", scheduled for Friday April 16, is underway. Dan Hillman is working with folks at the CSU Experiment Station on Rogers Mesa, and Carl Clay is reaching out to local Master Gardeners who may assist in the observance. A history of tree planting in the North Fork and Smith Fork valleys will be prepared for a program at the museum that day followed by some actual tree planting as part of our Colorado Arbor Day observance.

Mary Jacobs is still looking into comparable insurance policies in an effort to reduce premiums.

Lois Cotten is planning a training session to teach folks how to access the information in the binders created through the Newspaper Research Project.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 p.m
Renae Meredith, Recording Secretary.