



MINUTES - SEK Museum Alliance Board Meeting

October 14, 2021, 9am - Noon

Cherryvale, KS

Board members present: Ray Rothgeb, Leanne Githens, Gina McBride, Jolene Born, Ed Born, and Carol Staton. Terri Harley was absent.

President Ray Rothgeb called the meeting to order at 9am, with 6 members present.

Carol moved to approve the agenda. Jolene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the August 12 board meeting were reviewed. Carol moved to approve the minutes as printed. Gina seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report –

In the absence of Terri Harley, Ray presented the financial statements since our previous meeting. The balance on hand as of 10/14/21 is \$1,424.13. It was noted that we have met the cost of the mugs with current sales to date. Gina made a motion to approve the financial statement. Carol seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President's Report –

- Ray stated the need to send information out to the membership through a newsletter in early November. Leanne stated that she will work on preparing one.
- The 3rd quarter Passport survey was sent out and Ray noted only 11 responses have come in.
- Ray reminded board members that the KMA conference will be held Nov. 3, 4, and 5 in Lawrence.

Passport Project –

- Ray announced that there are 75 passports still available and he will bring them to the November general meeting.

September 11 General Meeting Review -

- General observations regarding the previous general meeting were that despite the small attendance, there was strong interaction between attendees due to a good mixer, good feedback to the business portion of the meeting and the speaker, and strong mug sales.

November 13 General Meeting – Cherryvale

- A soup lunch will be available for a small donation and attendees will be asked to RSVP on the website.
- Jolene made a motion to send the meeting announcement/newsletter out by snail mail for this meeting. Gina seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The meeting agenda will follow a similar format as previous agendas.

- Discussion was held regarding procedures for election of board members, with the following items agreed upon:
 - o Following discussion, the consensus was to have 3-year terms for the 6 board members from the east and west regions, and a 2-year term for the at-large member.
 - o The board retains the authority to fill any board openings.
 - o The board will elect officers immediately following the November meeting.
 - o The regional board members will be elected before the break in the agenda. The at-large position will be voted upon following the break.
 - o Oct. 30 will be the deadline for submission of nominations prior to the Nov. meeting. Gina will print the ballots with the nominations received up to that point. At the meeting, nominations will be accepted up until the time of voting.
 - o To establish rotating 3-year terms, the board will decide which members will serve initial 1-year, 2-year, or 3-year terms.

2022 Museum Driving Tours Project –

- During the business section of the meeting, Carol will present the project in some detail. A workshop in which members could plan their tours in detail was proposed for the afternoon of the February 2022 general meeting.

Future meeting dates/locations/programs:

Ray will confirm but these are the plans at this point:

- November 13 – Cherryvale – Austin Williams – “Kansas History, Government, and Social Studies Standards for Museum Educators”
- February 12 – Chanute –Kelli Orendere – “Take Control of Your Presence on TravelKS.com”
- April 9 – Sedan – Andy Taylor – “Digging in the Morgue – A News Writer’s Perspective”

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Web Page – Gina has created a good website, and welcomes suggestions for improvements.

SEKTR Report –

Ray reported that the SEKTr group is planning a brochure distribution project in which brochures/rack cards are placed in selected Pete’s and Casey’s convenience stores throughout SEK. SEKTr members get an early-bird price of \$120 per year. Leanne made a motion to pay the \$74 SEKTr membership fee, along with the \$120 brochure distribution project fee. Jolene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The **next Board Meeting** will be held Saturday, Nov. 13, following the general meeting.

Gina made the motion to adjourn. Ray seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm .

Submitted, Leanne Githens, SEK Museum Alliance Board Secretary