

PLACENTIA HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

October 22, 2019

Attendees: Jan Henderson, Wendy Elliott, Kathy Frazee, John Adger, Martin Chavez, Larry de Graaf, Lisa Quental, John Walcek,; Andrew Gonzales, city rep; Michelle Meades, library and Juan Padilla, library intern.

Absent: John Bushman

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Minutes approved as submitted	
Correspondence/announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flyers from Community Chorus were circulated. • Jan distributed information for a Veterans' Day activity in the City of Orange, set to occur on November 9 through 16. • The City of San Juan Capistrano is having a Ghost Walk tour within their downtown and she suggested the development of a similar tour for the Santa Fe area. • Michelle will have a history walk for the library on November 2nd and members suggested sources for information on that. The chalk fest to celebrate Hispanic heritage at the library went well as did the second week's activities at the Whitten Community Center. Chalk artist donated huge pastel portrait on wood to library. Grant funding continues to keep bilingual stories. She has secured funding for third grade tours. • John A. announced coffee shop grand opening on Santa Fe Street this Saturday, October 26 at 10-10:30 AM. 	
Accounts report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating funds, \$1,754 – afghan sales • Program funds, \$1,492.09 – Arcadia Press royalties • Income from Heritage Day will be reflected in Nov. (\$69) 	
New business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee inquired about having our own booth for handing out materials next to Bill Zavala's photo display so we could still safeguard his images. We offered to distribute flyers for the library. Water and candy may be distributed. • Discussion on securing an energy source to power the orange crate label display followed. Andrew said he didn't mind lending his to the Committee. • John A. has a lightweight banner holder. Discussion on purchase of another banner to have in our booth at Heritage Days and Tamale Festival. Wendy moved to buy a new banner. Discussion of design followed. Motion passed with one dissent. • Lisa inquired about a History web site. We have to do one separate from our connection with the city. • Jan stated we need a supply box for putting the booth up. Jan will send a list and members should donate whatever we have. • John A. volunteered to repair chimney at Bradford House. After the project grew and ended, helper was paid, he was paid and donated \$500 to Historical Committee's operating fund. • City of Santa Ana inquired about the first African American police officer in Placentia. His name was John Frank Smith. Committee will research. 	<p>--John A. will see what the fee is for a booth and negotiate location</p> <p>--Kathy will check if Library of Things might invest in one</p> <p>--Committee will bring individual research on design to next meeting.</p> <p>--Jan will circulate list of supplies to assemble</p> <p>--Larry will check w Bob Johnson on African American policeman in Placentia; Jan will check with the older African American man at Gem Meats</p>
Ongoing project/Old business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Heritage Days Jan was asked about the source of our packing crate labels. Kathy recalled that they were found in the Bradford packinghouse when it was to be torn down and the Historical Committee was given jurisdiction over them. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan would like to duplicate Marie Schmidt's book on names of streets in Placentia that completed a project started by Vic Michele into a digital copy. We all have a black spiral bound copy. • Jan passed around a card for the driver of the car used in the parade. Members signed. Motion made and passed to give Pat Mullin a gift card of \$50 for her favorite restaurant. Pat is an original owner of the home in the tract near Tri-City Park. • Work on historical brochure will move apace now that the City's General Plan has been formally adopted. Subcommittee (Jan, Lisa, Martin, John W.) selected a date for this meeting. 	
City updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Plan update approval passed 4-1, completed in record time and with in-house staff. City will enter it in contests and hope for awards to the city. Cover design is still under discussion, copies will be online as well. • History Room submitted application to be included in the California Revealed grant again to get more newspapers digitized. Those that were submitted last year have just gone off for the digitization process. We will receive copies for the library.—Has images from around the library that need to be digitized, unframed and now stored. –Work room is crowded with the huge chalk painting. • Wendy T and Michelle are working on establishing hours for the History Room to be open for public access with staff on hand two Tuesday nights a month and one Sunday a month to see if that gets more foot traffic. Jan asked if the committee could mount any displays in the library and that is to be determined. • Progress is moving along on the two residential projects on Crowther. 	<p>--Signage for the History Room is lacking; can concerned citizens ask for signs from the library board?</p>
Adjourn	Adjourned to next regular meeting on November 19 at 5:00 p.m.	