

## AHS Rio Colorado Chapter

### Meeting Minutes for 11-14-2017

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Gwynn at 6:18 p.m.

Roll call was taken by Bruce Gwynn. A quorum was met with attendance by Rachel Stallworth, Bruce Gwynn, Pete Thompson, Cecilia Young, Cathy Reeves, Tom Rushin, Lenore Stuart and Linda Morgan.

President Gwynn did the Call to the Public with no response.

Minutes for the October 10, 2017 RCC Board Meeting were unavailable. Review and approval was deferred to the next meeting of the RCC Chapter.

### Discussion and/or action:

- A. President Gwynn discussed the AHS State Board Meeting in Tucson, announcing that Voie Coy (Northern Arizona Chapter) was elected as AHS Board President, Kelly Corsette (Central Arizona Chapter) was elected as AHS Vice President, and Dolly Patterson (Apache County) was elected AHS Treasurer. Bruce Gwynn (Rio Colorado Chapter) will assume the role of AHS Secretary on the Board.
- B. A Board Committee has been formed to lead the search for a new Executive Director for the Arizona Historical Society, replacing Ann Woosely.
- C. President Gwynn discussed Chapter Committees and encouraged members of the RCC and YCHS Boards to participate and/or chair a committee. Sign-up lists were distributed.

Museum Director Report: Yanna Kruse reported that the *River Lore: Tales from the Narrows* exhibit opening was well received by guests in attendance and thanked the Yuma County Historical Society and RCC Chapter Board Members for their involvement and financial support. Budgets for the exhibit opening and AHS Board Meeting luncheon in Yuma were reviewed, reflecting a return of unused funds to the Yuma County Historical Society in the amount of \$167.32. Yanna reported that the Arizona Community Foundation approved \$2,500 in funding for the *Gentle Gardener Project Grant*. Also discussed were a variety of tours and programs planned for the coming year at the Sanguinetti House Museum and Gardens.

Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Report: Heritage Area Board Member, Yanna Kruse, announced that the Heritage Area donated path lighting for the Molina Block property. Executive Director, Charles Flynn intends to retire and leave Yuma in August or September of 2018. The Heritage Area Board is actively searching for a qualified candidate to fill this critical position. An *International Conference on Urban Waterfront Planning, Development and Culture* has been organized by the Heritage Area and will be hosted in Yuma in January of 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Next meeting is on January 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Sanguinetti House Museum and Gardens.

Respectfully Submitted By: Yanna Kruse, AHS Rio Colorado Division Director