Rio Colorado Chapter Minutes for November 17, 2021

Present: Pete Thampson, Bruce Gwynn, Betsy Gottsponer, Lenore Stuart, Thelma Lundy, Sue Ann Willen, Emilia Cortez, Linda Elliot-Nelson, Cecilia Young

Not present: Tom Rushin, Faron Owl, Linda Morgan,

- 1. Call to Order: Bruce Gwynn 5:44 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call: Cecilia Young Secretary
- 3. Call to the Public: None
- 4. Discussion and/or action, if any, to approve of minutes of the October 20, 2021 meeting of the RCC Board of Directors. The approval was moved to the next meeting.
- 5. President's Remarks: Bruce Gwynn. Bruce sent a copy of his remarks to the board as an attachment to these minutes. There was no discussion about his remarks.
- 6. Discussion and/or action:

Christmas at the Sanguinetti House, December 1st, 5pm-7pm. Yanna Kruse presented the report by Yanna and Donna Johnson about the annual event. This year the event will include AHS members and Redondo Days supporters. Invitations will be sent out this Friday. The complete report with the budget will be sent to all board members. The board members have been asked to contribute sweet treats (please drop off at the Museum the day before or on the day of the event), or donate 1 vintage ornament for the tree, or cash donations are welcomed. Pete Thompson volunteered to be the bartender with Emilia Cortez as back-up. Children are needed to string popcorn and cranberries. Mary Campbell donated Christmas trees.

Bruce Gwynn announced that Norman Sanquinetti passed away recently.

- 7. Director's Remarks: Yanna Kruse reported that one of the two positions have been filled. The State has granted 2 full-time positions that need to be matched financially. AHS will discuss this soon. One person will be dedicated to education programming. The Museum will open to the public hopefully the first or second week of December.
- 8. Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Update: Emilia Cortez reported that they are happy to announce the AZ Highways show featuring Yuma will air this Sunday, November 14 at 4:30pm on NBC 11 KYMA. Dia de Los muertos was huge collaboration with Chicanos art walk and we will continue it to grow it as an annual community event. The Yuma Crossing NHA would like to thank Yuma Investment Group Wealth Management for their generous gift to our organization

last evening. We would also like to congratulate them on their 20 years of service to the Yuma Community! We enjoyed the mixer last evening thanks to them and the Yuma County Chamber of Commerce! This generous gift will go towards preserving and restoring the treasures within the Heritage Area footprints.

- 9. Announcements and matters for consideration at future board meetings: none.
- 10. Adjournment: Linda Elliot-Nelson moved to adjourn. Lenore Stuart seconded. All approved. Adjourned: 6 p.m.
- 11. Next meeting: January 2022. Date and Time TBA