

**APPROVED - Meeting Minutes  
of the Outreach Committee of  
the Board of Directors of the  
Arizona Historical Society**

**February 21, 2024**

*Mission: Connecting people through the power of Arizona's history.*

**Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order** – Committee Chair, Sherry Rampy- 10:56 AM
- 2. Roll Call** – Sherry Rampy

Members present: Robert Ballard, Janice Bryson, Thomas Foster, Amy Hartmann-Gordon, Sherry Rampy, and Karrie Rumsower

Staff present: Vincent Bradley, Jason Mihalic, and David Turpie
- 3. Minutes** - Minutes of the January 10, 2024, meeting were reviewed and accepted by unanimous vote. Janice Bryson motioned to approve. Karrie Rumsower seconded.
- 4. Call to the Public** – There were no members of the public present.
- 5. Agenda Item #5 - Future meeting time**

Dates and times were discussed for future committee meetings, and it was decided that the Third Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am was best. Amy Hartmann-Gordon motioned to approve. Robert Ballard seconded. Approved unanimously.
- 6. Agenda Item #6 - Certified Historic Institutions (CHI)**
  - a. Updates on 2024 CHI membership renewal and recruitment ~ Jason Mihalic
    - Jason gave a review and presented a matrix of the applications for renewal, along with seven new applications received for CHI status. He also shared an application that was received for the Camp Verde renewal that came in late.
    - A vote was taken to accept the sixty-one recertifications. Janice Bryson motioned to accept. Amy Hartmann-Gordon seconded. Sixty-one recertifications were approved unanimously.
    - A vote was taken to accept the Camp Verde recertification despite it coming in late. Tom Foster motioned to accept. Karrie Rumsower seconded. Approved unanimously.

- The seven new applications were reviewed separately and are listed below.

African American Museum of Southern Arizona. Tom Foster motioned to approve the application. Janice Bryson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Ajo Historical Society Museum. Janice Bryson motioned to accept the application pending completion of items 1,3,4,5 and 6 from Jason's 2024 CHI Certification and Technical Review. Robert Ballard seconded. Approved unanimously.

Buckeye Valley Museum/Buckeye Valley Historical Society. Robert Ballard motioned to accept the application. Amy Hartmann-Gordon seconded. Approved unanimously.

Center for American Civics. While a worthy entity, after discussion and review, the committee felt it was not eligible to be a CHI as they appear to be a Teacher Resource Center. Amy Hartmann-Gordon moved to decline the application. Tom Foster seconded it, and it was unanimously approved to decline the application.

Ebenezer Bryce Foundation. Janice Bryson motioned to approve the application pending completion of items 1 and 3 from the Review paperwork. Amy Hartmann-Gordon seconded. Approved unanimously.

Santa Cruz Valley Historical Museum. Robert Ballard motioned to approve the application pending the completion of items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 from the Review. Janice Bryson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Superior Historical Society. Amy Hartmann-Gordon motioned to approve the application pending the completion of items 1 and 3 from the Review. Karrie seconded. Approved unanimously.

- All items are to be completed by the CHI within forty-five days.

- b. Other CHI updates- Jason shared which CHIs did not renew. Sherry Rampy will follow up with them to see if can get them to renew. Janice Bryson brought up First Families as a possibility for a different category of CHI as they do a lot of historical programming but do not qualify under the current CHI requirements. This will be discussed, and possible action will be taken as a future agenda item. Also, additional Al Merito Awards are to be a future agenda item. Jason asked about completing a rubric for the grants. The committee all voiced support, as his rubrics are always exceptionally helpful.

**7. Agenda Item #7- Announcements and other matters for the Good of the Order.**

- a. Historical League will be donating their surplus of “Tastes and Treasures” cookbook to AHS to distribute amongst the CHIs. More information to follow in the March meeting.
- b. Legislative Outreach. David Turpie shared the Legislative Outreach form and asked for feedback. Implementation will be discussed at the March meeting.

**8. Adjournment- Sherry Rampy- 12:46 PM**

*Sherry Rampy*

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Sherry Rampy, Outreach Committee Chair

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