

APPROVED
Washington County Historical Society Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2024, 10 a.m.
Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum Meeting Room

Board members present: George Cannon, Chad Bennion, Ian Crowe, Maureen Parks, Jesse Stocking and Loren Webb.

Board member excused: Richard Kohler, Teresa Orton

Board member absent: Brad Bennett.

Ian Crowe welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Jennifer Kohler, Board member Richard Kohler's wife, updated George Cannon this week on Richard's health condition at St. George Regional Medical Center, by saying Richard has had ups and downs. George told the board that Richard has been sent to a neuro specialty rehabilitation section of the hospital.
2. Motion was made by Chad Bennion and seconded by George to approve the July 10, 2024 minutes of the Society Board meeting.
3. Chad Bennion noted in the Society Budget vs. Actuals Budget for fiscal 2024 between January and July, showed only \$7,424.30 in total revenues while the total anticipated budget was \$23,365 "so we are at a third of that amount today," he said. Following further discussion, Chad Bennion made a motion, seconded by Jesse Stocking, to accept the financial report but tabled further discussion until the Treasurer was available at the board's next meeting.
4. Motion to approve a letter of intent created by Society President Ian Crowe, in support of the Lynne Clark family's request for the Society's non-profit assistance to preserve the physical and digital Lynne Clark photo collection, to gradually make digital copies of physical photographs where that hasn't already been done, to catalog and document the collection of negatives and photographs, to display and advertise the contents of the collection, to make the photographs available to the public and to cover the costs of acquisition and management, and to request Washington County to provide suitable digital and climate controlled storage to house and protect the collection with full access by WCHS, was made by Maureen Parks and seconded by Jesse Stocking. Motion was unanimously approved.
5. On a related item, a motion was made by Chad Bennion and seconded by Jesse Stocking to set a Wednesday, Aug. 28 work meeting, immediately following the Aug. 28 Society Community meeting to formulate plans and/or goals prior to meeting with the Lynne Clark family. The board did not set a specific time for the meeting, only that it would occur immediately following the Aug. 28 meeting.
6. Loren Webb was asked to send the Society Letter of Intent to Matt and Collette Clark, representing the Lynne Clark family, and ask the family to meet with the WCHS Board sometime during the latter part of September.

7. Jesse Stocking reported he attended the Pine Valley Heritage Days event on July 20 where Board member Loren Webb had been invited to set up a booth to promote Pine Valley Ranger District and Pine Valley history. Jesse said he networked with representatives of the Zion Forever Network and the Pine Valley Ranger District. Last weekend, he also attended the Kanab Heritage Museum in Kanab, Kane County, Utah and went to the Jacob Lake, Ariz., Forest Service Ranger station. Jesse and Maureen Parks will work together on an article for the newsletter and Facebook page, including photos, to include information about his visits. Jesse will guide Maureen through the process of becoming an administrator on the Facebook page.

Note: Because WCHS Secretary Loren Webb had an 11 a.m. meeting with Washington County Commissioner Victor Iverson to request \$4,000 to pay for transcripts from conducting additional oral history interviews, the following minutes were taken by Board member Maureen Parks.

8. Chad Bennion: Discussed preservation of sites where graffiti is present. Chad was asked to write an article, with photos, for the newsletter and Facebook page to bring awareness to the issue.
9. Website report – George Cannon. Work continues to progress on the website. George continues to receive calls from historians looking for information and directs them to the website. The board discussed what will be needed on the website to accept donations for the Cannon statue project.
10. Newsletter report – Maureen is sending emails to two museums asking them to submit articles for the newsletter. She plans to ask two museums each newsletter for submissions. Deadline for submissions for the Autumn Edition is Sept. 15; release will be Sept. 22.
11. Society bylaws update – Chad Bennion and Teresa Orton met and are working on updating the bylaws. When finished with the update, it will be a topic of discussion at a board meeting.
12. President's report – With Dick Kohler's illness, Ian has asked the detective to "put on hold" the issue of money from the Pioneer Courthouse.
13. New business – Maureen will send a Thinking of You card to Dick Kohler on behalf of the board.
14. Meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

The next Community meeting will be held Wednesday, Aug. 28, 2024 at 10 a.m. in the Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum.