

WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

The Washington County Historical Society (WCHS) Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at the McQuarrie Memorial Museum, St. George, Utah, at 10:04 a.m. by Chad Bennion, Vice President.

Board Members in attendance: Chad Bennion, George Cannon, Karl McMullin, Teresa Orton, Maureen Parks, Linda Shogren, Jesse Stocking (telephone), and Loren Webb.

Board Members not in attendance: Brad Bennett.

The Board members present constituted a quorum.

Others present were Chris Caldwell, Chuck Hardy, Michelle Bridges, and Ian Crowe.

1. The following Board of Directors Officers were voted in by acclamation for the year 2025:
President – Chad Bennion
1st Vice President – Loren Webb
2nd Vice President – Linda Shogren
Secretary – Maureen Parks
Treasurer – Teresa Orton
2. The minutes of the previous meeting were previously distributed. There being no corrections, the minutes will stand as written.
3. Maureen Parks made the motion to approve the financial report for January 2025. The motion passed unanimously. WCHS received \$7,000 from Washington County RAP tax, \$5,000 for the Cannon statue project and \$2,000 for the oral history project.
4. Chris Caldwell, a former newspaper photographer, requested assistance with his extensive photo collection because of WCHS being a 501c3. Teresa Orton made the motion to establish a project committee to support Chris in this project. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Teresa Orton made a motion that a foundation account be established in the name of H. Martin Iverson to support WWII or later veterans' activities/histories. Ronald Iverson, WCHS member, requested WCHS be involved because it is a 501c3. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Because of the requests for WCHS to establish foundations for the purpose of historic preservation, a policy will be written.
7. Per Loren's request: "The Board decided it was outside the scope of the Society's mission and would not allow WCHS member Brady Fronk to use the Society to sponsor him in his desire to cover a planned civil protest of Washington County on President's Day."

8. Per Teresa's request: "Chad Bennion stated that a list of committees will be compiled and requested that Board members text or email him on which committee they would like to be part of. Suggestions for committees: Finance, Membership, Website, Foundations, Special Projects. At the March Board meeting, the committees will be formed and chairperson assigned."

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Maureen Parks, Secretary

Next Board of Directors Meeting will be Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 10:00 a.m., at the McQuarrie Memorial Museum.