

# CUERO HERITAGE MUSEUM COMMITTEE MEETING

12:00 – 1:00 PM, Cuero Heritage Museum

Tuesday, November 01, 2016

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Adickes. Members present were Sherre Esse, Jim Stokes, Cynthia Lawyer, Jessie Mathis, Joe Reuss and consultant Liz Heiser. There were not enough members present to meet a quorum. Seven members must be present.

The minutes from last month could not be approved due to lack of quorum. There was not a financial report available.

Wayne reported that citizen and attorney Joe L. Sheppard desires to be a board member of CHM and PMMT. This was favored by those present and Wayne will speak with other members about it. He also mentioned that he will try to get an ad in the Cuero Record for more docents.

**Dee Henneke Porcelain Donation:** Joe reported that Ms. Henneke has asked (or suggested) that CHM help pay for or fully fund an appraisal of her donation of Japanese porcelain. After a short discussion, it was decided that CHM cannot set this precedent and that we should refuse this request.

**Wayne Adickes Donations:** It was decided that Wayne would transfer his paperweight and mechanical bank collections to CHM but continue to store them at his house. Liz suggested sending out/trading exhibits with other museums as well as other places around town.

**Fund Raising:** Wayne reported that GVEC denied our request for a grant for the software we wanted to purchase, which could be used in both museums as well as other functions for the city. Wayne will speak with them to see why it was denied.

Fire Truck: No report on fire truck fundraising.

Viet Nam Wall: Wayne will start fund raising efforts for the hosting of the Traveling Viet Nam Wall Memorial. He reported that the city council has voted to have it displayed on the knoll at the City Park. There was a discussion about how to provide around-the-clock security for the Memorial, which is required.

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**Genealogy Room:** Wayne reported that we would need to get the room wired with Ethernet before we could start the transfer of genealogy material from the library to CHM.

**Pilot Club:** It was reported that the reception for the Pilot Club exhibit had a poor turn-out. The reason for this seemed to be that it was not very well publicized.

**World War I Centennial Exhibit:** Wayne reported that he and Museum Manager Amber Fitts are working with the County Historical group gathering stories and artifacts. Joe mentioned that he had some things that could be used.

**Furniture and Exhibit Cases:** Wayne reported that a new exhibit case has been ordered which will replace the one currently under the stairs.

**Sprucing Up the Interior:** Amber and Wayne are in the process of getting quotes for work in the lobby and the doors.

**Future Exhibits:** When the Pilot Club exhibit comes down mid-November it will be replaced with a Christmas exhibit. After that, the following exhibits are slated:

Laura May Marshall Art

World War I Centennial (April)

New Turkey Trot Exhibit in the current meeting room (The conference table should be gone by then, either donated or sold.)

**Pharmacy & Medical Museum of Texas:**

**Bloxsom Oxygen Air Lock:** Joe reported that Ms. Parrish, the donor, will be in Cuero next Tuesday to attend Coffee With the Mayor at PMMT. Sherre said she would try to get the Victoria TV station involved as well as get notices in the papers. All members were encouraged to attend.

**Repair and Painting Upstairs:** Amber is getting quotes to complete the carpentry and painting. Sherre said she could give Wayne, via the Chamber, the name of a man who needs to accrue community service hours and will do carpentry. Liz suggested contacting a paint store, such as Sherwin Williams, for names of painters.

**Iron Lung Update:** Jim reported that he is ready to continue his efforts which were put on hold during a recuperation.

**Polio Presentation:** Wayne is working on a presentation on the history of polio. Jim mentioned he had some books that would be of interest.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cynthia Lawyer  
Secretary