

**EL CERRITO HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Bartke

Present: Tom Panas, David Weinstein, Joanne Rubio, Rich Bartke, Barbara Hill, Debbie Weeks

The Minutes of the October 21, 2014 Board Meeting were approved subject to the following changes:

*Spelling of "Sanitarium", "This Ain't No Mouse Music", change date of next meeting.

Programs

Dave will look into a speaker for the Annual Meeting in January. There are no other major plans.

Big Band Era Tea Dance & History Event - Possible Date: End of April

Joanne and Tom met with Janet Bilbas, Sr. Center Director, to continue planning this event. Janet has lined up two people to help on this event. They both were very involved in the Sr. Tea Dances over the years. Fong Wing will work on the food for the event and Chuck Wing will be the DJ. Joanne will contact the Huey White Show Band. Joanne asked Board members to get the word out for historical pieces we could display relating to the theme. Debbie has a desk-top gramophone & Tom mentioned that Lucy Nordahl has a cabinet gramophone we might be able to display.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be Wednesday, January 21, 2015. The location is still to be determined. The Board voted to keep the annual dues at the same rate. The next Sparks will include an announcement of the Annual Meeting and an invitation to attend Board Meetings.

El Cerrito Notables

Barbara presented a prototype of El Cerrito Notables to the Board which eventually will be put on the ECHS Website. She needs to verify the information but wanted to let the board see the beginning document and format she's working on.

Walking Brochure

This brochure is almost finished. Tom asked the Board to take a close look and get back to him with any suggestions by November 30. The goal is to get the brochure out before the Annual Meeting.

Anza Trail/Route Markers - El Cerrito

Tom had conversations with Hale Sargent from the National Park Service and the City. Tom hopes to meet with Hale at the Shadi Room. Joanne and Rich would like to come to that meeting. When Hale suggests a time and date Tom will let them know.

Castro - Special Page on the ECHS Website

Joanne and Tom are working on designing this and will meet with Debbie once they have a draft design.

Sparks Rich will write a Sparks to go out in the next week or so.

Conference of California Historical Societies

The Board voted to become a member of this organization. We will put a link on the ECHS Website.

Meeting Adjourned

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, December 16, 2014