

Murray City History Advisory Board  
Minutes for July 22, 2020

Attendance: Laurel Shepard, Rebecca Santa Cruz, Wendy Parsons Baker, Mildred Horton, Lynette Lloyd  
Staff: Lori Edmunds, Katie Lindquist, Jennifer Broschinsky

- I. Minutes for February 26, 2020 were approved as written.
- II. Board Reports – There were no board reports.
- III. Staff Reports:
  - Museum update -
  - StEPs update – Katie reported that the two-year StEPs training is complete. We are still working on the last project which is refining the exhibit space for the mansion with MOCA systems space assessment specialist.
  - Theater update – Lori reported the theater project is on indefinite hold.
- IV. Business:
  - Economic Development – Lori canceled this item as she needed input from the board on the standing exhibits as soon as possible. We will ask Melinda to join us again soon. Lori asked that the board comment on their impressions after they visited the museums this last month. Their suggestions were:
    - ◆ The Native American exhibit needs to be expanded. Both positive and negative information needs to be shared.
    - ◆ The smelter story needs to be condensed. Jennifer reminded the board that the funding for the museum was mitigation money from the smelters which is why it seems the central focus of the museum. More talk about the negative effects of the smelters i.e. health problems of the workers, agricultural effects, and effects on the animals.
    - ◆ More needs to be shared about the immigrants. Also, we need to talk about the immigrants of present Murray.
    - ◆ The “then and now” of events.
- V. Other
  - Face Book post – the board appreciated the continuing outreach into the community with historic pictures posted.
  - COVID assignments – Lori reminded the board that the pandemic is an historical event that we need to document and asked each board member to submit their feelings, experiences etc. via, stories, songs, paintings, etc.

Rebecca adjourned the meeting until August 26, 2020.