

Storytellers of San Diego Meeting

April 16, 2024

Zoom

I. Call to Order at 6:35pm

II. Attendance-

Jim Dieckmann- Chair and Treasurer-absent

Marilyn McPhie-President

Sherrie Brown- Board Member-absent

Sheila Thompson-Board Member-absent

Dave Watters- Board Member

Li-Anne Rowswell Mufson- Secretary-absent

Patti Christensen- Vice President

Ollis Mozon- Board Member

Deidra Davis, Board member

Fred Laskowski-Membership Chair- absent

Also Present-Members- Mindy Donner, Emily Stamets, Melanie Lococo, and David Schmidt

1. Approval of the Minutes- Marilyn moves to approve, OJ seconded passed unanimously
2. Approval of the Agenda –Patti moves to approve Agenda, as amended , Melanie seconded. Passed unanimously

III. Membership – no report this time.

IV. Financial – Jim submitted his 1st quarter report, We are doing well. We have money coming in and are paying our tellers.

V. Calendar

SAC Genre -

April 17: [Historical Stories](#) Linda Lewis

May 15: [Legends: Urban & Traditional](#) Aunt Li-Anne

June 19: Juneteenth OJ Mozon

July 17: [Humorous & Laughing Stories](#) Mindy Donner

4-24 – 3pm – Story Swap, on Zoom

4-27 – Southern California Story Swap Festival – Tyler Turner representing SSD, Patti is organizing a car pools, contact Patti to come along, hosted by South Coast Storytellers Guild

5-13 - Template-still looking for a producer, contact Mindy

5-12 – Twisted Horn – Mothers and Others-Linda King Pruitt is producing

5-3&4 – Bay Area Storytelling Festival – Santa Rosa, CA, at a private school, and an online version is also available

6-1 Sam Hinton Festival – Poway, storytelling from noon-4

6-25 Tales and Legends of Scotland – Vista, Friday evening storytelling concert

7-11 to 14 – NSN (National Storytelling Network) conference – Seattle area

9-14 Beneath the Apple Tree -Julian event-at the Town Hall -rental of the venue, we have received \$350 from Volcan Foundation- 2 hour concert in the afternoon, the Saturday after the Grape Stop

VI. Review of recent events, schedules – Twisted Horn 2nd Sunday, Template 2nd Monday

VI. New Business

VII. SSD Guide still on hold.

VIII. Grants, Fundraising

Ceco – grant for sound and lights \$1108 (Marilyn and Patti are exploring information-the cost has gone up since they asked us for wish items for the grant),

Chula Vista – \$7000 grant for storytelling (Money to pay the tellers) – David Schmidt.

Just received approval for full amount. Stories focused on Chula Vista, especially scary stories. David is writing a book about the local stories which will be given to schools in Chula Vista. 4 Schools and libraries programs. A culminating event in Procter Valley, in the monster's habitat, including a nature walk . September and October.

Storytelling in Schools from SAC - \$1950 (Money to pay the tellers) for storytelling in Chula Vista – David Schmidt, approved funding- 6 schools. David is open to ideas and looking for contacts. He will put the word out as to who might be interested in telling. Please contact him in the next two weeks. Programs in the schools will be during the day, library or museum events may be evening or weekend times.

City of Encinitas – we received \$2790 for 2024-2025 storytelling schools, senior facilities, civic organizations (It is important that we find ways to spend this year's money-about \$500 more left to spend, otherwise we may need to return it to the city. Marilyn just booked 3 shows in senior facilities. Any ideas can be brought forward to Marilyn, moving into next year ideas.

Pending - Chinese Women's Assn, City of Coronado

IX. Venues, Programs

Liz Weir may be in town in July;

Explore programming – La Jolla Historical Society, Julian and also Ramona (Emily taking the lead, with David Schmidt assisting in researching local folklore),

X. Storytelling Festival 2024 – Review

Community group – Bus and presentation – Mindy, very well received. Spilling out into the street. We need to not offer PowerPoint as an option.

Veterans-both and committed speakers and open mics for veterans

Artist – Spinner - Emily, it went well. Think about an art form for next year. ?Cooking and storytelling.

Music – group from high school , they were excellent. Jazz worked very well.

Visiting Tellers – Miyo Yamauchi, Los Angeles; Sara Armstrong, Berkeley-they were wonderful.

We are always looking for local-ish tellers or others who might be in the area.

Workshops – Emily, Miyo, Sara-well attended, and great feedback on all.

The Coronado Library-Director Shawn was great to work with.

Photos –very hard to be in three places at the same time. Dick as the photographer needs the line up in order in advance to try to get everyone covers.

XI. Storytelling Festival 2025

Date-suggested March 16th or March 22nd. World Storytelling day is March 20th. Marilyn will check with the Coronado Library about dates.

Suggestions – Art, Community Group, Guest Tellers

XI. Next Meeting – May 28 , 6:30 pm (not the March 21?)

XII. Adjournment