

Storytellers of San Diego Meeting

June 18, 2024

Zoom

I. Call to Order

II. Attendance & Approval of Minutes – Minutes were approved.

In attendance: Deidre Davis, OJ Mozon, Jr., Marilyn McPhie, Sheila Thompson, Board members.

Members: Fred Laskowski, Mindy Donner, Melanie Lococo.

III. Membership – Fred reported one new member. We now have fifty (50) currently paid members.

There are others on the list not currently paid.

IV. Financial – Jim: The financial statement was sent via email to active members. We have a bit over \$10,000 in savings. It is very clear.

V. Calendar

SAC Genre -

June 19: Juneteenth – OJ. Tune in tonight to cheer on OJ, who has a tory about brothers. (OJ reports that Linda Bown and Almena have a Zoom program today, and Linda and Esther have a in-person gig later.)

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

Next Genre series TBA

6-21, 7pm Tales and Legends of Scotland – Vista. Marily asks each person to invite ten others. James created a dandy flyer. Tellers: Marilyn, Lissette with harp, Catherine Bonin, Mindy Donner, James Nelson-Lucas, Aunt Li-Anne and Rachel Amov on fiddle.

We have free shortbread from McLaren's. Other food and drink BYO. This year we are partially subsidized by the SD Scottish Highland Games, and thus, are free of charge. Good work, Marilyn.

7-11 to 14 – NSN conference – Seattle area – Marilyn & Emily attending, Pets Emily will divulge more sooner to the event. OJ has a conflict with the ASAP military storytelling program.

Oct 15, 22, 29 “Haunted Julian” workshops & performance – Emily Stamets

Sept – March – Chula Vista grant program events – David. Patti and Mindy doing some Footwork, as David may be on honeymoon in Mexico, or beyond.

VI. Review of recent events, schedules – Template, etc. Marilyn note that the interior was spiffed up a bit, and Arlyn handled hosting and emceeing quite well. Mindy will follow up with Jim to submit a request and cost estimate to purchase steps with a railing. It is a safety issue.

VI. SSD Guide – We keep tabling this. Summer may or may not be the time to initiate. We need a coordinator for this.

VII. Social Media, Publicity

Instagram – Emily is checking whether we can resussitate an old Instagram, or start anew.

Promo Videos – James. Check it out on the Twisted Horn website. Kudos to James. Go to June events by Jim Dieckmann from SSD for a link. The organizers celebrate 5 ½ strong years. Kudos. Li-Anne, Patti, James, and David S. Linda King Pruitt, as well.

Website update – Jim has updated and reconstructed on WIX, which platform facilitate adding info and takes higher rez photos, graphics.

Viii. Grants, Fundraising

Ceco – grant for sound and lights \$1108 – PA system & lights purchased, receipts submitted.

PA systems and stagelights were purchased.

Chula Vista – \$7000 grant for storytelling – David Schmidt Reported on this above.

Storytelling in Schools from SAC - \$1950 for storytelling in Chula Vista – David Schmidt

City of Encinitas - \$2790 for 2024-2025 storytelling schools, senior facilities, civic organizations

City of Coronado - \$4,475 for Storytelling Institute – final results may vary.

IX. Venues, Programs

Liz Weir may be in town in July. (Post NSN conference in Wa., and is iffy.)

Explore programming – La Jolla Historical Society. Women’s Museum, etc.

X. Storytelling Festival 2025, March 15

Suggestions – Art, Community Group, Guest Tellers

Tellabration™- Fred and Mindy will coordinate. Mindy volunteers to arrange any online pairing through SAC (Storytelling. Assn. of Ca.) if that comes up.

Xi. Next Meeting – July 16

XII. Adjournment