

Penatuhkah Comanche Trails Partnership

MINUTES

May 15, 2023

DeLeon and Zoom

11:00 am – 1:00 pm CDT

Attendance:

Linda Frank	DeLeon, Texas
Rose Taylor	DeLeon, Texas
Lana Parsons	DeLeon, Texas
Tjwanah Smith	DeLeon, Texas
Don Holdridge	DeLeon, Texas
Kathy Wilson	DeLeon, Texas
Peggy Moon	DeLeon, Texas
Keith Moon	DeLeon, Texas
Feltz Terril	DeLeon, Texas
Jerry Leonard	DeLeon, Texas
Jay Burlison	Dublin, Texas
Carolyn Burlison	Dublin, Texas
Tommy Alford	Sipe Springs, Texas
Sherry Alford	Sipe Springs, Texas
Kandice Harris	Brownwood, Texas ZOOM
Kendall Howard	Brownwood, Texas
Don Kissire	Goldthwaite, Texas
Jan Hartwell	Goldthwaite, Texas
Susan Reynolds	Goldthwaite, Texas
Brenda Brooks	Goldthwaite, Texas
Frank Hilton	Brownwood, Texas
Martha Cupp	Brownwood, Texas
Tai Kreidler	Lubbock, Texas
Jay Wright	Menard, Texas
Lori Dodd	TMCN ZOOM
Jerry Blankenship	San Saba, Texas
Lynn Blankenship	San Saba, Texas
Denise Hudson-Brian	Early, Texas
Virginia Fleming	Comanche, Texas
Kesleigh Boone	Comanche, Texas
Becca Jackson	Comanche, Texas
Caroline Pinkard	Comanche, Texas
Richard Pinkard	Comanche, Texas
Alfred Evans	Comanche, Texas
Suzanne Polk	San Marcos, Texas ZOOM

Bill Modawell
Janice Modawell
Montie Guthrie
Sandra Guthrie

Brownwood, Texas
Brownwood, Texas
Santa Anna, Texas
Santa Anna, Texas

Executive Director Montie Guthrie called the meeting to order at 11:05 am at the DeLeon, Texas Museum of DeLeon Area History. The group was welcomed to DeLeon by Jerry Leonard, of the DeLeon Economic Development Corporation.

Guthrie asked the participants to introduce themselves and to update the group on any new developments in their area that advanced the mission of the Partnership. Guthrie recognized special guest Tai Kreidler, Executive Director of West Texas Historical Association. Kreidler spoke briefly about the missions of the groups connected to the Comanches.

After introductions, the group moved to old business.

- Guthrie asked if there were changes to the minutes, and if none, a motion was in order to accept as submitted. Rose Taylor moved and Virginia Fleming seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Fleming reported on the April 27 Executive Committee meeting. She reported that Becca Jackson developed a BRANDS/LOGO educational powerpoint for the membership to use to get all parties on the same page concerning signage. Guthrie will send it out to the membership. She also reported that the Executive Committee authorized Treasurer Bill Modawell to open a bank account at the bank most convenient for him but requiring two signatures on every check. EC recommends delaying the Grand Opening.
- Concerning Trails signage, the group consensus was that the Partnership must work with the County Judges in Every county represented in the Partnership.
- Next old business was the creation of a bank account for the Partnership. Guthrie stated that Treasurer Modawell opted to use Santa Anna National Bank, with Executive Director Guthrie as the second signature authorized for checks. A bank debit card will be secured.
- Guthrie will supply Kesleigh Boone and Becca Jackson with a list of names of voting members so they can invoice the partners for annual dues.
- Guthrie informed partnership of new conditions relative to PCTP grand opening. Because November is Native American month, Comanches are super busy that month already. Asking them to be involved in the Trails opening might be too presumptive. Executive Committee recommends that the Trails Grand Opening be postponed until Spring when the Tribe can assume more direct involvement. Jay Burlison moved and Alfred Evans seconded that the Grand Opening be Postponed to March or April 2024. Passed unanimously.
- Kandice Harris reported on social media: Facebook page has twenty-four followers, some of whom are significant, and Instagram has 341 followers. She requested that partners send her items to be posted on media---anything going

on in your city. We create interest by pictures on Instagram---reaching more public. Guthrie reported that we have been added to the West Texas Historical Association webpage newsletter.

Moving to the agenda item of new business,

- Fleming reported on presentation about Trails Partnership to Comanche City Council. It was very favorably received and several Traditional Cultural Property possibilities were found.
- Guthrie passed out flyers for the Hershey Foundation Conservation and Recreation Area grants. Partners discussed this and other actions to benefit the Partnership.
- Janice Modawell reminded partners to begin collecting items for 'goodie bag" for Grand Opening.
- Guthrie suggested that, based on change in circumstances, partners consider returning to meetings every other month. Motion by Bill Modawell and second by Kandice Harris. Passed.
- Bill Modwell reported that Partnership was invited by Executive Director of Frontier Texas in Abilene to meet at the museum. Fleming moved and Alford seconded that the Executive Committee follow up and inform the partnership. Motion passed.
- Motion to adjourn was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned to lunch provided by the DeLeon Area Museum of History at 12:45. A nice sandwich with much visitation was had by all.