

Penatuhkah Comanche Trails Partnership

MINUTES

July 17, 2023

Frontier Texas! Abilene and Zoom

11:00 am – 1:00 pm CDT

Attendance:

Jeff Salmon	Frontier Texas! Abilene
Linda Frank	DeLeon, Texas
Rose Taylor	DeLeon, Texas
Tjwanah Smith	DeLeon, Texas
Kandice Harris	Brownwood, Texas
Kyndall Howard	Brownwood, Texas
Michael Evers	Brownwood, Texas
Jan Hartwell	Goldthwaite, Texas
Brenda Brooks	Goldthwaite, Texas
Martha Cupp	Brownwood, Texas
Tai Kreidler	Lubbock, Texas
Dolores Mosser	Lubbock, Texas
Jay Wright	Menard, Texas
Cody Mobley	Menard, Texas
Brent Bratton	Menard, Texas
Lori Dodd	TMCN
Tammie Virden	Forts Trail
Bob Reynolds	Bangs, Texas
Becky Slayton	Coleman, Texas ZOOM
Jerry Blankenship	San Saba, Texas
Lynn Blankenship	San Saba, Texas
Denise Hudson-Brian	Early, Texas
Alfred Evans	Comanche, Texas
Bill Modawell	Brownwood, Texas
Janice Modawell	Brownwood, Texas
Mary Blake	Santa Anna, Texas
Averie Gabriel	Santa Anna, Texas
Terrie Bryans	Santa Anna, Texas
Montie Guthrie	Santa Anna, Texas

Executive Director Montie Guthrie called the meeting to order at 11:03 am at Frontier Texas! In Abilene. The group was welcomed to Abilene by Jeff Salmon, of the Frontier Texas! Museum in Abilene. Jeff briefly outlined the origins of both the Museum and the

Taylor County Historical Commission Archives Building where the business meeting was held.

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 new attendees from Menard, Cody Mobley and Brent Bratton, Terrie Bryans and Mary Blake of Santa Anna, Michael Evers of Brownwood, and Dolores Mosser of Lubbock.

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. Jay Wright moved and Rose Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Guthrie returned to the topic of membership dues. Fleming was prepared to hand deliver invoices to the member cities for their annual allotment, but none of the representatives from Comanche were able to attend the meeting. Guthrie stated that invoices will be delivered by US Post Office in the next week. Several new members asked for clarification of the dues question. Guthrie went over the back story and explained to the new attendees that the membership had levied the dues of \$150 annually on themselves.
- Becca Jackson was unable to attend the meeting, so there was no report on the recent activity on the Partnership webpage.
- Kandice Harris reported on Partnership 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---any kind of event going on in your city. We create interest by pictures on Instagram---reaching more public. Suggestion was made to create an events calendar page on the website. Guthrie will get with Jackson to accomplish that.
- Presentations to Councils and Commissioners Courts can be scheduled.
- Guthrie reminded the members that we need to vote on the site of the Grand Opening. A survey will be created in order to accomplish an anonymous vote.

Moving to the agenda item of new business,

- Guthrie apologized for having lost the database of TCPs for each city and asked that each city re-submit one to three TCP locations from each city for listing on webpage map--- the sites need to be in 9-1-1 address or coordinate format in order to create a Google map for use on the website.
- Guthrie encouraged Partners to create seminars to educate Central Texans as to the history of the Penatuhkah in the state. He made the partners aware of Being Comanche by Morris Foster to learn about the Comanche culture today as it has developed historically. In conjunction to the educational seminars, programs having to do with landowner rights can also be scheduled.

- In other new business, Michael Evers made the partners aware of the Texas Tribal Buffalo Project to reconnect indigenous peoples to the buffalo in the buffalos' native habitat.
 - Dolores Mosser from Lubbock, Texas, a former Director of the Plains Trail, informed the partners of the 150th Anniversary commemoration of the Red River war, ongoing in the Plains Trail region. She also spoke on the arrow markers of the Quanah Parker Trails sites and the webpage showing eighty-eight arrows.
- The next meeting will be hosted by the Mills County Museum of History in the museum in Goldthwaite on September 18 at 11 AM.

Meeting adjourned to lunch provided by the Frontier Texas! Museum at 12:45. A nice sandwich with much visitation was had by all.