

MUSEUM OF SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORY
HISTORICAL COMMISSION
May 19, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Cecil Tucker, Bob Hughes, Ed L'Heureux, Stephanie Youngers, Jim Robison, Rosalie Cook, Eunice Mann, Beverly Mason.

Members Absent: Jon Batman, Carolyn Bistline, Alex Dickison, Ettie-Jane Keogh, Imogene Yarborough, Paul Zuromski.

Guests: Don Epps, Mrs. Mart Tucker, Dr. Connie Lester

Staff Present: Kim Nelson

Location: Museum of Seminole County History
300 Bush Blvd.
Sanford FL 32773

Cecil Tucker called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. There is a **quorum** present.

Opening Ceremonies:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation

Mr. Tucker introduced a guest, Dr. Connie Lester of the History Department at the University of Central Florida.

Dr. Lester was invited to give her presentation first before the regular meeting. She spoke about the RICHES Project (which stands for Regional Initiative for Collecting the History, Experiences and Stories of Central Florida) and how the Museum figures into the project. She also spoke of the benefit of increased visibility and linkage to the project for the Museum. She distributed materials on the project as well.

Mr. Tucker then asked if there were any additions, corrections and/or deletions to the April meeting minutes. There were none. Mr. Tucker declared the minutes approved as submitted.

Old Business:

- DAR grant update
Ms. Nelson reported that the award contract had been signed and sent to the DAR grants coordinator along with the requested copy of the Society's bank account.
- Pirates! Exhibit Update
Ms. Nelson reported that the contract for the exhibit was on the agenda for the May 24 BCC meeting and was expected to be approved.

Subcommittee Reports:

- Accession Committee: no report
- Education/Docents Committee-- Ed L'Heureux asked for 7 volunteers to boost membership by sending out personal letters to join the Society. Several people agreed to help. He also suggested that the Museum should host a mayor's mixer to showcase the work being done here.
- Programming Committee- Jim Robison reported on both this and the Exhibits committee in Paul Zuromski's absence. He asked for contacts and ideas for the 2012 Agriculture Exhibit and proposed reinstating Pioneer Days. Discussion followed.
- Exhibits Committee—report given by Jim Robison with Programming report.
- Historical Marker Committee—Cecil Tucker said that they were seeking grant funds for future markers. He had nothing further to report on the Cattle marker.
- Oral History Committee—no report.
- Fundraising Committee—no report.

New Business:

There was no new business to report.

Museum Monthly Report:

Ms. Nelson distributed the April Monthly Report. She stated that April was a slow month for attendance. Discussion followed.

Society Report:

Don Epps reported that a press release was sent along with a photo announcing the award of the DAR grant to the Museum. Also, the Society made a \$100 pledge to contribute to the fundraising efforts of the Student Museum. He also stated that 30 people attended the Quarterly Meeting of the Society on May 16 and that Ed L'Heureux gave an inspired lecture about famous and infamous Florida Women.

Other Business:

- Robert Hughes spoke briefly about Geneva's July 4th activities.

There was no other business and Mr. Tucker declared the meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.