

Balcones Canyonlands TXMN

Board of Directors

September 21, 2020

Call to order at 7:10 pm via Zoom.

Attendance: Larry Root, Gene Janulis, Julian Yates, Sheila Endres, Shayla Fleshman, Tania Homayoun, Johanna Arendt, Gabriel Miller, Sheila Putnam, Tania Homayoun, Freiderike, Schuster, Kelly Kaye, Brenda Foss, Jacqueline Cirincione

Minutes were approved.

Julian Yates (speakers): There are no changes to the speaker schedule. [See schedule](#)

Gene Janulis (finance): Gene reports that accounts balance. He reports 8,284.65 in checking, up from about \$5,000 at the beginning of the year; which is an increase of \$3,000 ytd. The chapter is in good shape financially to cover costs. There was lots of activity last month due to the new class, but will calm down through the remainder of the year. [Treasurer's Report September](#)

Sheila Endres (2020/2021 Class): She reports that the new class has started and is going well, with 37 students enrolled. NO one has dropped out of the class as of yet, and everyone has their textbooks. There was continued discussion on the challenges of keeping the class engaged with online learning due to the pandemic. She encouraged mentors to stay in regular touch with their mentorees.

Colette Pearce (Outreach): She has begun work on a membership directory to help the new class stay connected. She reviewed an email that would go out of all members asking for relevant information for the directory. Using an online google survey to streamline the project was discussed. She is regularly posting on social media for the Chapter. Colette discussed setting up sub groups along interests to increase class participation. Finding class interests will be interwoven with the membership directory survey.

Jacqueline Cirincione (Communications): The Reader is going out as scheduled. Volunteer opportunities will be posted regularly. Larry brought up the idea of an online suggestions box. Jacqueline will create this and post it in every issue of the Reader.

Stephanie Putnam (Diversity and Inclusion): She looked at the 1928 City Master Plan, and found elements of it unsettling in terms of diversity. She is going to send out pertinent elements to the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55