

FRIENDS OF CIVIL WAR ALCATRAZ
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2020

The meeting of the board was held via Zoom, hosted by member Robert Mayer. The meeting started at 10:02 a.m. and was co-chaired by Gary Hormel and Steve Johnson. In attendance were Robert Mayer, Evelyn Mar, Frank Avila, Chuck Gardali, and Mike Bennett.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

As of May our balance in the checking account with Wells Fargo was \$6333.65. We have had few expenses this year, since we have not hosted Living History Days on Alcatraz due to the pandemic.

Evelyn reminded us that those who paid dues in 2020 have had their membership extended through 2021. Currently we have 22 paid members. It was suggested that each member try and recruit one new member in the coming year.

The results of the election were announced by Robert Mayer, who received the ballots.
Co-chairs: Gary Hormel, Steve Johnson
Secretary: Constance Smith
Treasurer & Memberships: Evelyn Mar
Board Members: Brad Schall, Frank Avila, Jeffrey Vaillant

Robert Mayer petitioned to be on the board as well, and this was approved by the board members present.

Gary and Steve gave an update on Alcatraz. Those who wish to continue to volunteer on the island should let Ranger Wendy know — she will send you documents by email to read and to sign. These include protocols to follow when on the boat and on the island, a volunteer agreement, and a list of duties for volunteers. These duties include roving the island and helping to staff the information pavilions. There are currently no programs being given by any staff. Only 3 volunteers per day will be allowed on the island; help is especially needed on the weekends (Friday-Sunday) when boats are sold out. Volunteers will need to be at Pier 33 just before 10 am to take the staff boat. On November 1st the staff boat leaves at 9 a.m.

Steve is working on a plan to create videos about Alcatraz and the Civil War. These could include segments narrated by members on such topics as: a soldier's life at Fort Alcatraz; uniforms of the Union Army; medicines and medical care; plots and prisoners; cannons and muskets; women's duties during the war, etc. His idea is to get a good camera and video these segments at an agreed outdoor location (Fort Point?) for both safety and for natural light and background. He will be contacting members individually

to discuss their ideas for a particular presentation. Please start thinking about how you could help with this project.

It was decided to have out next virtual meeting on Saturday, November 14th, at 10 am. All members will be invited to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 am.

Minutes taken by Steve Johnson