

07/14/2019, Friends of Civil War Alcatraz

Attending: Steve Johnson, Gary Hormel, Constance Smith and by phone, Evelyn Mar

NOTE: a quorum was not met, so no vote was possible

Membership: It was proposed by Steve that FOCWA take a table at History Days at the SF Mint. There is no charge and 1 new member signed up in 2019.

08/17/2019 will be Living History Day at Ft Point. Gary will be more active in recruitment. Constance will have another "donation table" and will talk about the club to those who stop by. Steve has sent letters to local ROTC units with no response. The following discussion had the consensus that approaching junior colleges might be a more successful move.

Face Book & Twitter.

Steve will talk to Jeffrey about following up non-members who post "like" on our Facebook page. Recruitment posters could be electronically sent. Gary is willing to subsidize free memberships for members who recruit new members. Steve suggested discounted memberships instead. Also, membership renewal letters will be sent in October with follow ups in early Dec.

Budget

There are more than enough funds to pay for Fall 2019 Living History day on The Rock. Constance will research interest rates for short term CDs. She will also make sure the financial institutions understand FOCWA is a non-profit as banking laws have restrictions.

Constance will research the costs for a diorama for a period correct kitchen in the Citadel and prepare a formal proposal. If cost effective, the next step would be consult with John Cantwell for permission to donate the finished product, then to reach out to someone to help create the display.

Gary and Steve will research the cost of replacing the sponge for the cannon with one of the correct size. Living History Day on The Rock. The date has been set for 09/14/2019. The band will be there, donuts, coffee, water and box lunches will be provided by FOCWA to all the

volunteers.

The next board meeting will be on September 14th, on Alcatraz, at 9 a.m.

02/17/2019, Friends of Civil War Alcatraz

Attending: Steve Johnson, Frank Avila; Gary Hormel by Phone, John Nevins provided a proxy to Constance Smith. Ranger John Cantwell. Minutes from 08/12/2018 were reviewed and approved.

NOTE: Steve will contact Volunteers of America to have FOCWA placed on their listings.

Reviewed financial report. Report was approved.

Living History Day will be May 11, 2019. Constance will send the schedule of needed prep as prepared by Brad Schall. Gary will order the sandwiches; water is included. John Nevins will not be able to give a final count until the week prior to the event. Cannon demonstrations can NOT include slamming the limber box lid. The hinges and lock have been broken. FOCWA will pay for replacements and John C will install.

Discussion re: cannon demonstration and NPS insistence on "relevancy" in all programs.

Possible expanded program "The Guns of Alcatraz" to include post Civil War weaponry used on the island. FOCWA will research and replace thumb stall, pick, primers, and a sponge rammer short enough not to damage the walls.

Recruitment needs to be increased; the table will be operating at Ft Point on LHD 02/23/2019 & at the SF history day at the SF Mint 03/02-02/2019. Gary has mailed the posters with corrected contact information to Steve. Gary will donate \$100.00 to pay for 4 memberships for new recruits. Discussion as to the possibility of a public event on the Presidio.

Steve made a motion that FOCWA pay for parking at the SF Mint. After discussion the motion passed as the funds are available.

The changes to the bylaws were approved .

Discussion of the Memorial Day parade & graveside programs.
Constance will contact Dean Enderlin at the Sons of Union Veterans in Santa Rosa to invite them to join. Constance will bring a picnic.
Minutes will now provided by e-mail and posted to the website / newsletter. No financial information will be posted on the website.

Meetings for 2019 set as follows: April 7, June 9th, Sept 15, and on Alcatraz Fall Living History Day.