

FOCWA 02.10.2023

Present: Steve Johnson, Gary Hormel, Michael Bennett, George Foxworth, John Ferris, John Fitzpatrick, Evelyn Mar, Constance Smith

Minutes: None, The December 2022 meeting did not have a quorum, so no notes taken

Treasurer's report:

Checking balance: 1,787.33

Savings balance : 6,424.74

Last deposit/memberships: 825.00

Expenses for 2022: 1,411.15

Living History Day at Ft Point will be 02/25/2023. Review of closed areas at the fort; east battery will have limited space, but a table and chairs will be provided by NPS. Chairs will be needed for the casemates area and a table for recruitment, possibly the telegrapher, balloon and artillery exhibits, Constance will confirm with Angel, and request access of the fort's uniform & shoes bank by at least 1 volunteer. Constance will bring a shirt for the volunteer.

Guard room area will be greatly reduced, the power room will be closed ; the theater will be open for the string quartet. Photographer will have spaces available if sunlight is inadequate as the day progresses.

The Brass Band will be playing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier balcony / museum level. No rooms are set aside for lectures as only 3 are to be given, 2 by Constance and the lectures will meld in to the demonstrations by her. This will be in casemate #5.

A concern was raised that bricks on the top tier are loose and Ranger Erick indicated there was no plans by NPS to repair or replace.

Bunting will be put up Wednesday 02.22.2023 due to Ranger James' schedule.

Steve will discuss having Living History day on Alcatraz on 04.15.2023 after consensus by Board as to the date. Review of the previous expenses were 1) Lunches cost \$343.73 with thanks to Gary for his work in providing them 2) Coffee and pastries cost \$145.73. A motion to approve a minimum of \$500.00 be approved for these expenses was proposed, seconded and passed with no objections. Steve hopes that the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine and the Sacramento brass band can join on that day.

Memorial Day programs at the graves will take place as usual. Steve will contact the Presidio to see if a parade will occur. Possible activity in Sacramento discussed.