

Fairmount Board of Directors Meeting

Regular Meeting

February 21, 2018

Fairmount Cemetery Board of Directors met Wednesday February 21, 2018 at the Fairmount Cemetery office.

Members present were: Board President, Angela Williams, Jackie Martin, MaryJane Steadman, Martha Visney, Eva Horton, Kay Rork, Beverly Stribling, Susan Mertz, Kam Stribling and Ann West.  
Members absent were: Cora McGowan, Jean Johnson, Donna Crisp and Eva Choate.

Also present was Jeremy Walker, Fairmount Cemetery Manager, Camille Yale and Vivian Yale.

Angela Williams called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Camille Yale and her daughter Vivian were introduced to the board and welcomed.

Vivian is a sophomore in high school and is preparing for her Girl Scout Gold Award, a very comprehensive project completing years of service in this wonderful organization. Her goal is to honor veterans of war by purchasing and placing flag holders at the grave sites of those laid to rest in Fairmount Cemetery.

Included in her proposal were materials to be used, mapping of the veteran's grave sites, cost, fundraising efforts, educational components and the need for a project advisor from our board.

It is estimated that this will take approximately 80 hours and must be completed by her senior year.

After a brief discussion, Beverly Stribling moved to accept Vivian Yale's proposal for her Gold Star Award, acknowledging an appreciation for her concern and action on behalf of over 1,600 veterans interred at Fairmount Cemetery and thanked her for the proposal.

Martha Visney provided a second to the motion which was then unanimously approved.

Martha Visney will serve as Vivian's project advisor.

Jackie Martin moved to accept the January minutes as written.

Martha Visney seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Jeremy Walker, Fairmount Manager reviewed the monthly report for January, 2018.

The bi-annual flower and item pick up was completed.

Mr. Walker was asked to obtain clarification of the Contingency line item in the expense report totaling \$37,983.00 and office supplies and postage expenses for January.

Kay Rork reported on the Design Concept Committee meeting held with Beverly Stribling and Donna Crisp.

It was decided that the function of a Design Concept Committee would be to advise and assist the Fairmount Cemetery Board and the Friends of Fairmount Board with interpretation of the Master plan for future projects within the Cemetery. Areas such as style of architecture, design, materials to be used, colors, landscaping etc. would be their main focus.

Volunteers in the community with expertise in these areas would be invited to serve on this committee.

The committee was asked to submit a sample letter which would be sent to prospective committee members.

Angela Williams suggested board members submit names to be considered.

Plans for the 125th Anniversary are underway. Maps for walking tours will be available at the office for those interested in visiting Fairmount Cemetery.

Articles, social media posts and television interviews have all been submitted and scheduled.

Friends of Fairmount President, MaryJane Steadman reported the Christmas Wreath fundraiser was successful and will be continued as a yearly fundraiser.

The next meeting of Friends of Fairmount will be held Wednesday March 7, 2018 at noon in the First Financial Bank boardroom.

Susan Mertz brought up the need for Wi-Fi in our office as well as the Cemetery which would be helpful in locating grave sites.

She suggested a request be submitted to the City of San Angelo.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann West". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Ann West