

**Seattle Heritage Emergency Response Network
SHERN**

Date: March 31, 2017

Time: Business meeting, 1:30-2:00pm; painting party, 2:00-5:00

Location: Museum of Flight, Seattle

Present: Diane Wells, Peter Schmid, Loretta Greene, Gary Menges, Julie Creahan, Allison Loveland, Joshua Zimmerman. After the business meeting, the aforementioned were joined for the painting party by: Betsy Bruemmer, Susan Lewandowski, Amy Heidrick, Clara Berg, and Karen Bean (MOF staff but not a SHERN member).

Agenda

- Acceptance of minutes from February 2, 2017 meeting
- Treasurer's report
- Paint and materials for container preparation
- Equipment/Supply Committee report
- Alliance for Response survey for Foundation for American Institute for Conservation (FAIC)
- Upcoming meetings
- New business

Acceptance of minutes from February 2, 2017 meeting

Approved.

Treasurer's report

Savings: \$25.00
Checking: \$1480.91

Diane thanked Gary Menges for generously designating a \$300 honorarium he would have received for participating in a webinar to go to directly to SHERN! This amount constitutes a significant portion of our organization's budget.

Diane reported that she purchased a few items for our container: Folding table; standing lights; hand truck; fan; extension cord, which added up to \$172.06. She also mentioned that she was looking at a wet/dry vacuum for about \$350. Some discussion ensued and Gary mentioned that having a HEPA filter is critical, and something that most institutions do not have, so it would be a perfect item for the container. Josh mentioned that having a vacuum that was capable of reversing so it could pump water would also be a desirable feature.

Paint and materials for container preparation cost \$241.43.

Equipment/Supply Committee report

Discussion was shelved for the time being, in consideration of the changed reality of SHERN now having a container, and in interest of making more time for our painting party.

Possible New Member Melanie Cole, OEM

Peter explained the email he received on March 17 from Melanie Cole, outreach and training specialist at the Seattle Office of Emergency Management (OEM). She is interested in possibly joining SHERN or assisting as a representative of her department, and wanted more information about SHERN. Peter responded that while SHERN membership was mainly for heritage institutions with collections, we would love for her to liaise with our group, to attend one of our meetings and present. He sent her a link to the website for more information. Gary said that he thought the bylaws would allow for her to be a consulting member and others agreed it would be a good idea. All agreed with Gary that SHERN should ask for another meeting at the OEM, since we have added several new members since SHERN last visited the Emergency Operations Center.

Alliance for Response survey for Foundation for American Institute for Conservation (FAIC)

We discussed the questions posed by the survey which is due April 7:

-What are some activities that your network has undertaken recently?

- Supply cache
- GIS map

-What are the greatest needs of your network?

-How can FAIC best assist your network?

- Training opportunities
- Julie had the idea of having a listserv for response networks so that we could discuss practical matters of supply caches, etc.

Gary also provided us with an update on the NEH grant curriculum for **Heritage Response Team Training**, for which Seattle and Miami networks were selected. The Miami group will have two days of hands-on training in May, followed by webinars, then two more days of hands-on training in October. Jessica Unger suggested a conference call with SHERN in the fall and we all agreed this would be valuable to get more details.

Upcoming meetings

June 9: Henry Art Gallery

August 11: Frye Art Museum

New business

There being no further business, we proceeded with our painting party, first scraping rust spots and any peeling paint and apply a primer to those spots, then painting the container. We were finished by about 5:00pm and all agreed it looked very presentable!

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Schmid, Secretary