

Historic Resources Board

An advisory board to the Huntington Beach City Council

**MINUTES
HUNTINGTON BEACH ART CENTER
HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD**

**Friday, July 18, 2008
1:30 p.m.
Huntington Beach Art Center
538 Main Street
Huntington Beach CA 92648**

CALL TO ORDER:

Santiago called the meeting of the Historic Resources Board to order at 1:49 p.m. at which time a quorum was met.

ROLL CALL: Essner, Harris, Haynes, Howard, Kennedy, Robinson, Ryan, Santiago, Watkins

ABSENCES: Smith

STAFF PRESENT: Hoffman

GUEST: Kathie Schey

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION: Santiago welcomed the board.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Hoffman announced that the resignation of Randy Smith was received. Mr. Smith cited that due to work and personal commitments, he will not be able to dedicate the time needed as a board member (see "Attachment A"). The board accepted his resignation and thanked him for his contributions. The board hopes that Mr. Smith will be able to rejoin them in the future.
2. Election of Officers – Diane Ryan was elected to Chair for the next year. Nominations and election of Vice Chair will be held over until the August meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Hoffman and Laurie Payne will be meeting with the Bowers Museum to go over artifacts that can be borrowed for the historical exhibition in January 2009. Hoffman said that she has also been able to obtain the 1940's police car for the display.

CURRENT ISSUE UPDATES:

1. Education Committee Update:

- a. Book – Ryan said that the board has gathered many photos and the committee is in the process of deciding which ones to use. Ryan thanked Haynes for having them all put on disk. The committee continues to check the material for proper referencing. The next education committee meeting is scheduled for August 1st at 10:00 am. They will continue to the finalization of the book and documentary. Howard announced that she will not be able to attend the next committee meeting.
- b. Ryan said she has turned over the information to Watkins for the video, and Watkins will continue with the documentary. Robinson asked about the oral history interviews with families that still live in HB and a discussion ensued on guidelines for interviewing individuals that are supplying historical content. Robinson will research questions and interview her neighbor. Clary will provide Robinson with a digital recorder so that the interviews can be downloaded onto the computer for possible use in the documentary.

2. Demolition Review Form Update:

- a. To be held over until the next meeting.

3. Historic Survey RFP Update:

Hoffman told the board that she reviewed and weighted the proposals received and sent her recommendation to the Planning Dept. All parties on the review panel selected the same company. Next in the process was the oral panel review. The Planning Dept. will take it from there. After a consultant is selected the HRB will inform the consultant that board member Robinson has already started working on updating the survey and will be available to assist them with the process. Robinson went to each location listed on the past survey, and highlighted in yellow, all properties that have been demolished. There was a collective gasp as the board viewed the volume of yellow highlights on the survey pages. The board applauded Robinson on her efforts. Robinson informed the board that since she completed the survey on June 1st, three more properties have been demolished.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ryan reported on the centennial committee. Ryan described the gala scheduled for January 31, 2009. The float for the rose parade has been approved and if anyone is interested in riding on the float, they may enter a sweepstake by applying on line. Each month a different community member will be highlighted. Meeting notes and members are listed on the website. She gave an overview of some of the other events that are planned.

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

1. None

NEXT MEETING DATE

1. The next meeting is scheduled for 1:30 pm on August 15, 2008 at the Huntington Beach Art Center. Santiago will not be able to attend. The board should be prepared to vote for Vice Chair. Clary will provide an updated roster.

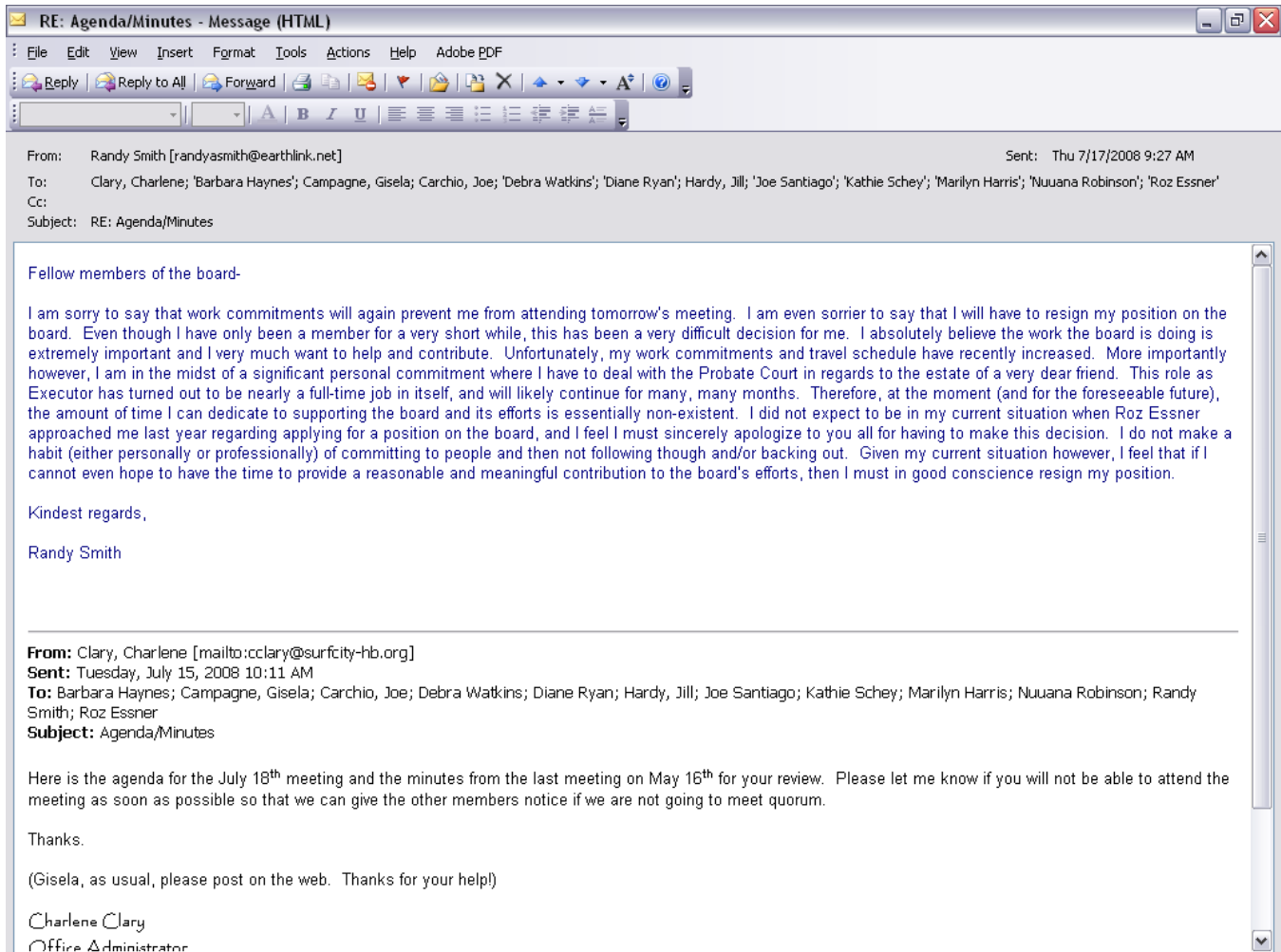
ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: Charlene Clary, Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENT "A"



The screenshot shows an email client window titled "RE: Agenda/Minutes - Message (HTML)". The window includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Tools, Actions, Help, Adobe PDF) and a toolbar with icons for Reply, Reply to All, Forward, and other actions. The email header shows it was sent from Randy Smith on Thursday, July 17, 2008, at 9:27 AM. The recipients listed are Clary, Charlene; Barbara Haynes; Campagne, Gisela; Carchio, Joe; Debra Watkins; Diane Ryan; Hardy, Jill; Joe Santiago; Kathie Schey; Marilyn Harris; Nuwana Robinson; and Roz Essner. The subject is "RE: Agenda/Minutes".

Fellow members of the board-

I am sorry to say that work commitments will again prevent me from attending tomorrow's meeting. I am even sorrier to say that I will have to resign my position on the board. Even though I have only been a member for a very short while, this has been a very difficult decision for me. I absolutely believe the work the board is doing is extremely important and I very much want to help and contribute. Unfortunately, my work commitments and travel schedule have recently increased. More importantly however, I am in the midst of a significant personal commitment where I have to deal with the Probate Court in regards to the estate of a very dear friend. This role as Executor has turned out to be nearly a full-time job in itself, and will likely continue for many, many months. Therefore, at the moment (and for the foreseeable future), the amount of time I can dedicate to supporting the board and its efforts is essentially non-existent. I did not expect to be in my current situation when Roz Essner approached me last year regarding applying for a position on the board, and I feel I must sincerely apologize to you all for having to make this decision. I do not make a habit (either personally or professionally) of committing to people and then not following through and/or backing out. Given my current situation however, I feel that if I cannot even hope to have the time to provide a reasonable and meaningful contribution to the board's efforts, then I must in good conscience resign my position.

Kindest regards,

Randy Smith

From: Clary, Charlene [mailto:cclary@surfcity-hb.org]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 10:11 AM
To: Barbara Haynes; Campagne, Gisela; Carchio, Joe; Debra Watkins; Diane Ryan; Hardy, Jill; Joe Santiago; Kathie Schey; Marilyn Harris; Nuwana Robinson; Randy Smith; Roz Essner
Subject: Agenda/Minutes

Here is the agenda for the July 18th meeting and the minutes from the last meeting on May 16th for your review. Please let me know if you will not be able to attend the meeting as soon as possible so that we can give the other members notice if we are not going to meet quorum.

Thanks.

(Gisela, as usual, please post on the web. Thanks for your help!)

Charlene Clary
Office Administrator