

Wyoming Semiquincentennial (250th) Meeting

October 14, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

American Heritage Center, Laramie

Meeting #11 **Mintues**

***Call to Order** - Representative Sandy Newsome, Task Force Chairman

***Roll Call** - Kate Barlow

- Rep. Newsome, Chairman
- Justice Kari Gray
- Nick Neylon
- Diane Shober/Piper
- Greg Blikre
- Cindy Brown
- Kevin Voyles
- Joanna Kail
- Shawn Reese, Co-Chairman
- Rebecca West
- Shawn Reese
- Dr. Flesher

***Update from the Chairman** - Representative Sandy Newsome, Task Force:

- Did a presentation to chamber of commerce group, shared presentation

- with TF. going to update presentation and WOT is going to format and make available. for the website. WOT also going to help format postcard for use. Consistent messaging and graphics. Action Item: Google Doc that shows who is talking to what groups.

Chairman *Committee Reports

-Community Outreach: Co-Chairman Shawn Reese: Met last week discussed communication from TF/Gov once the grant process is stood up.

- Local guidebook pretty good draft almost done. Developed ideas for communities to start with based on themes.
- Shawn sent three proposals from Arts Council, conversation about match for grants, putting through regular grant program
- Discussion about guidebook and 76 object development and tribal representation

-250th Events at the Capitol: Justice Gray was not able to attend the meeting report provided to TF

-K-12 Curriculum: Superintendent Degenfelder was not able to attend the meeting

- Discussed how to get the word out about America's Road trip using existing organizations - Wyoming history list serve - discussed some kind of media highlighting Wyoming students that have been selected

-Marketing: Diane Shober Discussed timing on the announcement of grant process and where that should come from.

- Discuss website updates and resource links

-Fundraising/Grants/Legislative Appropriation: Representative Newsome and Nick

Neylon - Nick going to work on funding to humanities and American Heritage Center for approved projects

***Old Business**

***New Business**

- **Shawn:** Attended the America 250th conference in PA and provided takeaways from event

***Next meeting date and time** - Monday, November 18, 2024 - Cheyenne - State Museum Classroom

Action Items:

- Nick putting together google doc to track who is talking to what groups
- Two lights for tomorrow Kate running by Governor to see if he is interested in participating and promoting

