**Redlands Mesa Grange #487**

* **Minutes for July 20, 2022**

Present: Andy Pilkington Grange Master, Jeri MacTaggart Secretary, Christine Haak, Larry Haak, Jim Schum, Karen Marty, Kay Adams, and Joan Hollins. The meeting was called to order at 6:33

Minutes from the June 22 meeting were reviewed. Kay moved the minutes be approved and Larry seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jeri presented the treasurer’s report in Tammy’s absence. Kay moved the treasurer’s report be accepted and Jeri seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

**The membership report:** Nothing to report on membership

**Old Business:**

**Kids Pasta Project:**

The date of Monday, August 22, was confirmed as the date for the Kids Pasta Project dinner. Joan will start the promo as soon as she gets the poster from the Kids Pasta Project liaison.

**July BBQ and Ice Cream Social**

Christine will send thank you notes to The High Wire Ranch for their donation of the meat, the Bank who loaned us the grill, and Hotchkiss Fire Department for their contribution to the BBQ.

**Acoustics:**

The decision was made to first modify the ceiling over the stage with insulation. We will also consider acquiring a new sound system or updating our receiver. We will try to find an adaptor to modernize our system in order to play music from a smart phone.

**Craft Night:**

The Crafters’ Bee held on June 23rd was enjoyed by all who attended. We will continue to have Crafters’ Bees but will change the date to the first Thursday of the month. The next one will be August 4th.

**Music Night:**

Paul Frazier and Kane Hollins will set up music night for Friday July 22nd. They will decide at that time whether to set up inside or on the porch.

**Grange Rental:**

The Birthday Celebration set for July 23rd was well attended and a good time was had by all who attended. They donated leftover soft drinks to the Grange.

**Survey:**

Some surveys were filled out and turned in at the BBQ. Michelle will collate the results and present them at the next meeting.

**New Business:**

The October fundraiser was tentatively discussed. We discussed having a Harvest Festival to coincide with Halloween. A Chili Cook off was suggested as an activity as well as the Silent Auction and possibly a Halloween costume contest. More discussion will be had at the August meeting.

Larry obtained legal documents including deeds for the Grange property. Some discussion was started as to the future direction of the Local Redlands Mesa Grange #487.

Since it’s time for elections, Larry volunteered to research our local Grange by laws to get more specifics as to requirements for elections.

Larry stated that our Grange is basically operating with new leadership and we are just starting to get our feet under us. He moved we keep the current officers for a second year pending their acceptance. He also included appointing Kay as Custodian to make sure the Grange Hall is clean before and after rentals and to open the Hall as needed. Joan seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

As there was no further business Andy adjourned the meeting at 7:30 with the next meeting being scheduled for August 17, 2022.