

Minutes of the of Directors of the Jaeger-Witte Heritage Cemetery Association Washington County, Texas

The regular meeting of the directors of the Jaeger-Witte Heritage Cemetery Association convened on February 1, 2026, virtually via Zoom. The meeting was attended by George Zemanek, Debbie Byrd, Steven Jaeger, Jeff Featherston, and Kay Kulow.

Meeting called to order at 4:11pm.

Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes from the June 1, 2025 meeting. Minutes signed electronically.

Reports

Treasurer:

Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the treasurer's report. Report is available upon request

Grounds and Maintenance:

Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the Grounds and Maintenance report.

A cleanup day will be scheduled. We will be digging a trench near Uncle Lanis and Uncle Will's graves to divert water.

Ongoing business

- **Burial Plot Reservation Agreement**
 - Motion made, seconded, and passed to waive the fee for current and previous JWHCA board members who have served a minimum of five years. George will update the operating manual and burial plot reservation agreement form.
- **Denise Ray burial and Michael Burkhalter burial**
 - Families have been provided with information
- **Shed**
 - Add a ramp or a step up to the door.
 - Add extra dirt all the way around
 - Finish the eaves
 - Set the keypad and assign codes
 - The cost of the shed was \$6,223.63 and there is no interest on the credit card until July 25, 2027. Debbie and Mike are currently sending monthly payments. The cemetery association will hereafter take on monthly payments. Debbie will provide us with an itemized list so we can reimburse her for anything paid towards the shed, plus any additional expenses related to the shed.
- **Concrete repair (George)**
 - Clean and patch minor cracks

- Clean joints
- Put in sealant between joints
- Put patch around the upper graves
- Clean and seal Jesus and Angel and paint statues white.
- **Headstone Repair**
 - The Frances Naegeli headstone has fallen down. George will take pictures and send them to Lowell for an estimate.
- **Repainting fence**
 - When the weather moderates, we will schedule a painting day.
- **Historical Marker Road sign**
 - Steven will follow up with TXDOT
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New Business

- **Office elections**
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed to nominate Jeff as the President.
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed to nominate Steven as Vice President.
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed to nominate George as Secretary.
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed to nominate Debbie as Treasurer.
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed to nominate Kay for Grounds and Maintenance position.
- **Newsletter**
 - George is sending an electronic newsletter quarterly. A large/comprehensive hard copy will still be sent to relatives requesting it, along with the reunion invitation.
- **Meetings**
 - We decided to begin having meetings three times a year (January, May, and November). November will be held in-person. Our next meeting will be May 17, 3:00pm, via Zoom.
- **2026 Reunion**
 - July 18, 2026
 - The fee increased to \$200

Meeting adjourned at 4:59pm

Action List

- Follow up with TX-DOT (Steven)
- File taxes (Debbie and Steven)
- Follow up with Lowell concerning the Naegeli headstone and come up with a plan for concrete repair (George)
- Begin paying credit card with JWHCA account and provide list of reimbursements (Debbie)

