

Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society
Meeting Minutes
Monday May 20, 2019 7:01pm-9:04 pm
W-PHS House

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Nan Hance, President

Roll Call of Officers and Standing Committee Chairs – Recording Secretary

Present: Nan Hance- President, Cheryl Kline-Vice President, Debbie Parts-Treasurer, Sue Jane Evans- Exhibits Chair (7pm-8:33pm), Jim McCaig, Kathy McCaig-Membership Co-Chairs, Dottie Howland- Program Chair, Jackie Walker- Recording Secretary, Chair Lenore Youngman- Collections Management Chair, Linda Perkins-Corresponding Secretary, Charlotte Buehler- Communications Committee member

Absent: Perry Howland-Ex Officio Trustee, David Frohlich-Property Chair, Sandy Zeman- Communications Chair and Grants

Acceptance of April 22, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes of April 22, 2019 were unanimously accepted on a motion by Jackie and second by Lenore.

Correspondence – (See Officer Reports-Corresponding Secretary)

Reports of Officers

President - Nanette Hance

Calls and emails reported: One noteworthy from Webster Historical Society re: mid 1800 hair once owned by Homer Dunn of Pultneyville that was donated to them. They are checking to see who donated it from Pultneyville and why.

Day of Caring: **Next Step: Nan requested thank you notes be sent by the Corresponding Secretary.**

Homecoming Update: Raffle is set up on web site and Facebook page. There will be no paper tickets this year. Raffle prizes reviewed. **Next Step: Nan will send an eblast to members giving them details.** It was decided by consensus to send a letter to businesses to solicit donations for homecoming (suggested amount \$50). This excludes businesses who are supporting the 5K race (Reliant Federal Credit Union, Ely & Leene Insurance, Cornerstone Realty, K.M. Davies, Leo J. Roth). It also excludes those who are donating 2019 raffle prizes (Roland Stevens, Jim Weiser-RU Scuba, Pultneyville Mariners, Kendra Burnap, Williamson Flying Club). **Next Steps: Jackie will draft a letter and send it to Kathy who will send it to business members.** The parade marshal will be Gatesinger Company Ltd. Sunday concert will be at 1:30-performing will be The Barn Burners. The Sunday community service will be at 9am. House hours will be 10-1pm and 2:30-4pm. Bill Kline is handling signs. There will be a no charge for the horse and wagon ride. Next homecoming meeting is June 11 at the firehall.

Senator Helming meeting: Recap of meeting with Senator Helming: supportive of Gates Hall structural remediation effort and will provided letters of support as needed and talk to Brian Manktelow, recommended grant consultant, suggested using Sharon Lila as a resource, suggested talking to Tony Verno and getting County Supervisors involved. **Next Step: Nan set up meeting with Sharon to determine interest in helping us.**

Gift Shop: Karen Ensmen Seyfried (315 589 2545) is interested (no computer work). **Next Steps: Lenore contact her for orientation. And check price on St. Peter book. Price should be 5.00 Jackie to provide St. Peter flyers for next program.**

Trolley: Gerry Walsh (Shepard Rd) is rehabilitating trolley by repairing it and making it safe for \$900 (grant). If costs exceed this, he will donate the difference.

Volunteer Spread Sheet: Has been distributed via email to Officers and Standing Committee Chairs and can be found in the file cabinet in the office and in the file folder tray in the kitchen. It was prepared by Gail Grinnell. **Next Step: Thank you note requested-Linda**

Internet Service: Currently sharing internet signal with deli. Spectrum one time install fee is

\$34.99 and monthly service would be \$44.99 per month for 100mb service or \$54.98 per month with 400mb service, router and modem. Nan presented a number of examples re: need for upgraded equipment and internet service. **Next Step: Nan to talk to Jamie re: future technology needs.**

Vice President - Cheryl Kline reported the grant to refurbish the Orbaker painting is almost complete. In process of studying sources and approaches to Gates Hall fundraising.

Treasurer - Debbie Parts reported account balances and bills paid. She has contacted the IRS re: name change-no response to date. Julie is not submitting the 990 in the future. **Next Step: Finance Committee will submit 990 per bylaws.**

Recording Secretary - Jackie Walker reported the report to the state has been done online as required for 2018.

Corresponding Secretary - Linda Perkins reported thank you notes sent to Sue Jane and Perry for their work on the exhibit "Staying Well in Williamson" and Jamie for setting up electronic mail.

Ex Officio Trustee - Perry Howland, Town Historian was absent and submitted his report by email. The following is a summary of the report:

- Assisted in re-organizing and adding artifacts to north west display room
- Attended dedication ceremony of marker near Maxwell Creek of Afro-American settlement
- Participated in Day of Caring
- Researching Aaron Brewer who I will be playing at 4th grade tour June 11
- Working a construction of storage rack for archives
- Following up on requests for information on families from two requests
- Will be documenting relocation of East Williamson fire bell May 20
- Continuing work on "Random Thoughts" articles
- Contributing to Wayne County Historic Data base projects-Williamson has 66 sites.

Reports of Standing Committee Chairs

Nominating – Cheryl Kline- no report

Membership – Jim and Kathy McCaig- reported a total of 150 members: 111 individual, 39 business.

Finance – Debbie Parts. See Treasurer report.

Collections Management – Lenore Youngman reported inventory updates continue and a missing folder on East Williamson Fire Company.

Communications-Sandy Zeman-absent-no report

Exhibits-Sue Jane reported the following: need volunteers for house open hrs. this summer, she attended historical society meetings in Macedon and Palmyra as well as marker dedication previously noted in Perry's report, much accomplished at Day of Caring, students may be used a scavenger hunt, divers visit was successful, and a few changes were made in the northwest corner display room.

Communications/Grants – Sandy Zeman-absent-no report

Programs – Dottie Howland- described the next program in Gates Hall June 5 as a three-part program:

Part 1 impersonation of Throop, Part 2 power point program, Part 3 a brief update by Jim Weiser re: role of RU2Scuba as a voluntary St. Peter Dive Site Partner and treasure findings. August program will be combined with picnic and will focus on Gates Hall.

Property and Gatesinger Agreement Update - David Frohlich absent from meeting. The following information was presented by Nan Hance: drafts of section 1 and section 4 of the new Gatesinger Compan Ltd Use Agreement. If the community wishes to use the hall, there will be a

community use agreement. **Next Step: The use agreement is in progress of being rewritten by John, David and Nan, with expected completion by June 30 when the current agreement expires.**
 The following is a summary of Dave's "Gates Hall Renovations Planning Memorandum May 20, 2019": Renovations to Gates Hall (roof replacement, roof structure, ceiling, and ceiling support structure) will take 6 months to complete and during that time it is expected Gatesingers monthly payment under the "Use Agreement" (a license document) will be discontinued. In anticipation of this, W-PHS Board should plan on including the sum of 12 months licensing revenue in its fund-raising plan. Dave's report also included that all members of the Society, especially Board members should bear in mind the Use Agreement is a licensing agreement, not a rental/lease agreement and does not confer tenant rights to Gatesingers.

Unfinished Business

June 13th Reception: 5-7m. **Next Step: Nan will send eblast to members.**
 Internet: see President's report
 Trolley Grant: see President's report
 Fundraising Efforts (other than Grants): ROC City Ringers September 29th
 Newsletter: Gates Hall as feature article in June/July and Homecoming Info
 Picnic and Tour of Gates Hall – August 7th
 Volunteer List (emailed to Officers and Standing Chairs)
 Historic District/National Registry Brochure: We have 2 brochures with houses in the historic district. We do not have one with only houses on the Historic Register and Nan believes there are 23. **Next Step: Nan will check for a list of those houses.**
 Cemetery Tour: no report
 Audit Committee: To date an audit committee has not been set up. Jackie reviewed the bylaws. **Next Step: The President will appoint members of this committee.**

New Business

Technology Needs: see President's report
 Membership List on Website: Individual members are not listed on the web site and it was agreed to begin this in 2020 as part of reregistration so members can opt out if they don't wish to be listed.
Next Step: Kathy/Jim revise membership form to include this on form.

Other

WPHS/WCS Collaboration - Building Use and Walking Tours
 4th Grade Walking Tour – June 11th (rain date June 13th)
 WCS Admin Team at W-PHS July 23 from 8am-3pm Gates Hall 4pm
 WCS Staff Walking Tour on June 21 – 4:30PM

Summary Next Steps

Jackie summarized next steps.

Next Board Meeting June 24, 2019 7pm

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm on a motion by Lenore and second by Debbie with all in agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Walker, Recording Secretary 5/22/19

Reviewed by Nan Hance 5/22/2019