

**Delaware County Historical Association Board Meeting  
Friday January 12, 2018 10:00am**

**Present:** Peggy Kearney, Dick Meyer, Kay Parisi-Hampel, Ginny Sanford, Roy Scrimshaw, Mike Wood and Tim Duerden. Minutes taken by Angela Gaffney.

**Absent:** Barbara Coleman, Tom Kendall

**I. Review of October 2017 minutes**

Mike makes a motion to accept the October 2017 minutes. Ginny seconds. All in favor. Peggy makes a motion to accept the November 2017 minutes. Mike seconds. All in favor.

**II. Committee Reports**

**Collections – Inventory** – Angela reports she has begun to inventory collections. It should be done every 5 years. Looking at items with no number to decide if they should be deaccessioned. We have almost 10,000 items cataloged. This does not include library items.

**Physical Plant – Security system** – Tim reports the security system has been updated and repaired in November. The door now beeps when you open it. Upgraded software, everything is secure.

**Programs, Publications & Exhibits** – Tim reports: **County Office Bldg.** We have set up a small exhibit on diaries in the county office building. It will be on display through February. **Desserts & Diaries** – First program of the new year on Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup>. This will be the third year. It has been very popular. Usually billed as a cabin fever event. Held in the large gallery. On Tuesday Tim discovered the main manifold to the radiant floor heating had broken, spilling water. He got the water stopped. The workman is trying to find a replacement part. Should have everything up and running by next weekend.

**Public Relations** – no report

**Finance** – Roy reports

The 2017 final profit and loss shows a loss of \$2,798.32. Roy reports he did talk to Bryan at the DNB about the endowment and Bryan said he could change the investment for more growth and income. Requests to have Bryan come to next meeting and talk about what can be done.

Mike suggests we take some money out of FAM account and set up a building and ground account to be able to do the work on the Frisbee House and site. Peggy would also like to see a building and ground account set up. Ginny agrees if the money is there we should set up an account. There is work that needs to be done to preserve the house and grounds. Kay - the longer you wait the more it deteriorates. Dick suggests asking FAM if they could set up a separate account to draw on for the buildings and grounds. Dick asks Tim to contact FAM and ask if there is a fee to withdraw money and would they be able to set up an account for us that could be drawn on. Peggy suggests we need a 3 – 5 year plan on what work needs to be done on the house. Mike agrees. Dick reminds painting, re-glazing windows, and re-grading the ground around the Frisbee House.

Tim reports: As of January 12 we have \$53,192 in our general checking account

Investments received since October 2017 meeting – TUA - \$5,348; Henderson - \$700; Lyon - \$525; FAM – \$4,928; LGS - Walton, Kortright – \$500 ea.; O’Connor GOE - \$11,000; DeGroat donation - \$6,000; Annual Appeal - \$5,638

Dick reports he went to the Meredith town meeting and they are planning to give \$500 to DCHA. Peggy asks to get a list of all the towns that give money.

Investments @ DNB – Tim will invite Brian to the Feb meeting.

### **III. Director’s Report**

**RV Visit in October-** \$640 (\$15 an RV a night)

**Lantern Tours** - \$230 (Samantha did tours two Saturday evenings in Oct.)

**Xmas Trees** - \$350 (Humane Society rental of gallery)

### **IV. Old Business**

none

### **V. New Business**

**Bus Tour** – Roy asks if any are planned yet. Suggests the Philadelphia Flower show in March. Tim says it is a little too late to do that. Tim explains he had been thinking of a bus tour of historic sites and historical societies in Delaware County. Also the Hudson Valley, Tarrytown. Dick suggests Kingston, New Paltz has a Huguenot village, boat museum. Thayer house for lunch. Peggy suggests Roosevelt or Vanderbilt house.

**Scottish Trip** – Roy asks how that is going. Tim reports, Ray is not sure if it will go forward.

**CWC** – Peggy reports the CWC is still offering money for septic systems. Discussion on if they will fund non-profits. Tim suggests we could at least see if they will inspect and pump the septic.

**Sponsorships** – Peggy suggests the board go in person to bigger business like Price Chopper and ask if they would sponsor a tent for the Reenactment. Tim says he will have a letter ready at the next board meeting that people can take to businesses. Mike says he will try to find a corporate sponsor in Sidney. Roy says he will get the name of the person from Saputo that donated to the Legion.

11:20 – Roy makes a motion to go into Executive Session. Mike seconds. All in favor.

**Next Board Meeting: Friday February 9, 2018 @ 10am**

11:45 – Meeting adjourned.