

Delaware County Historical Association Board Meeting **Friday, April 10, 2015 10:00am**

Present: Barbara Coleman, Peggy Kearney, Tom Kendall, Dick Meyer, Roy Scrimshaw, Mike Wood, and Tim Duerden.
Minutes taken by Angela Gaffney.

Absent: Lillian Browne, Cheryl Boyd, Linda DeWitt and Frank Waterman.

Review of March 2015 minutes

Tom makes a motion to accept the minutes. Roy seconds. All agree.

Dick asks if the last month's minutes were put on the website. Tim answers yes.

Committee Reports

Collections – Roy reports he has a camera that Kevin Lee gave him that he would like to donate to DCHA. He found it in the basement when remodeling. Peggy asks if DCHA would be interested in copies of civil war letters she was given. Tim says as long as they relate to Delaware County.

Physical Plant – Blacksmith shop – Tim reports the blacksmith shop work will be done by Leland Stein before P3 in June. The floor needs to be shored up and a new roof is needed. We couldn't do this last year because we had not received the money in time. We have since received the money.

Programs, Publications & Exhibits – Mike reports the Sidney Library loved the quilt exhibit. Would like to have 20 different quilts next Feb. 2016. Tim reports DCHA's next exhibit will be Uniforms to open on June 12th. Saturday the 11th Bob and Trish Kane will be here to present NYS covered bridges.

Public Relations – Tim reports: *Reporter, DCT* had numerous articles on DCHA. *Community Directory* did an article on the Franklin Literary Institute and used images from DCHA. Mike reports he has heard the ads for DCHA on the radio in Sidney. *WSKG* people who did the haunted Frisbee House will be coming on the 18th to cover the first cooking workshop. Short discussion on finding someone with the equipment to film presentations. WSKG are also doing a series of notable people in the Southern Tier. They contacted DCHA to ask for suggestions of people from Delaware County. Tim provided a list and they chose Bob Wyer and Boney Quillan a logger/rafter.

Finance – Roy reports – Year-to-date profit and loss is \$9,699.13. FAM received so far this year about \$9,000 and \$11,000 from DNB. Roy e-mailed Spring about the audit for this year, and he got a reply that Spring no longer works for Mostert. Tim reports he has been in touch with Mostert and a Chris will be doing the audit. He has already asked for a bunch of papers from Tim. He will contact later to set up a time to meet. Roy and Dick would both like to be here when he comes.

Tim reports: As of April 10 we have \$44,390 in our general checking account. Annual Appeal Drive brought in \$6,750. Delaware County funding \$9,000 received. This quarter we received \$5,233 from FAM and \$1,400 plus \$5,350 from DNB

Director's Report

O'Connor Advertising – applied for \$4,000 for advertising they granted \$2,000. They will match everything we spend up to \$2,000.

June bus trip – we have 18 signed up so far with only very minimal advertising.

144th Re-enactment is being put together. Tim contact Delhi Fire Department about doing the lunch. They will not be able to. Thanks to Dick for talking to Mike Howard about this and he contacted the Legion and says Ed McGrath said they would be willing to do this. Question do we need more than one organization to do food if we believe there will be a lot more people. Mike suggests contacting a boy-scout troop to help with parking. Discussion on possible parking: talk to Curtis Lumber, Church down the road (would need a shuttle to do this). Possible shuttle - Veterans bus, Office of the Ageing, trolley from the county fair. College might help. Tim reports the last communication with Brian said they wanted to build a boat to have at the side of the field to show that the battle of Honey Hill was amphibious. There will be horses and more cannons this year.

144th Golf Tournament will be Friday May 22nd. Have one team signed up so far. Brian Cornell thinks we could get as many as 15 teams. This is a fundraiser for the Reenactment. We are looking for volunteers to help run the event. DCHA will split the proceeds with the 144th group 50/50.

Summer events see calendar.

10:50 am – 11:20am **EXECUTIVE SESSION** Tim and Angela leave the room.

Old Business

History Conference – Tim reports this will be April 25th and we have 18 signed up so far. Mike says Sidney has a meeting on Tuesday and he will find out who will be coming. Dick, Barbara and Peggy sign up.

Dick asks about sending a letter to Kay Parisi-Hampel about joining the board. Tim explains he did not send a letter because we can't vote anyone on to the board until November. Dick says Frank has a problem with the number, the way the by-laws are written. All agree we don't want to turn anyone away if they want to join the board. Discussion on how to get more board members.

Dick reminds he talked to Chuck MacIntosh about an auction, he agreed to do one. Mike says he will help with this, saw it as a 5-year projected plan to raise revenue.

New Business

Volunteer Brunch – April 25 – Angela is wondering who is coming and if they can bring anything. Barbara signs up to bring soup.

Workday – May 2 – Tim reports if anyone can come help out on this day it would be great. We will be getting kids from SUCO. Delhi Tech workday is generally in the fall.

Next Board Meeting: Friday, May 8 @ 10am

11:36am Roy makes a motion to adjourn, Mike seconds. All in favor.