

Delaware County Historical Association Board Meeting
Friday April 14, 2017 10:00am

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

Absent: Barbara Coleman

Meet at Fitch's Bridge Church

All walk around look at Church. Return to main building.

10:35am Dick calls meeting to order

I. Review of March 2017 minutes

Tom moves to accept the minutes. Ginny seconds. All agree

II. Committee Reports

Collections – Tim reports: **Corn cutter** – we have finally got the corn cutter from DeLancey, after a few delays due to snow. It is now in the barn. **Austin Negatives** – received from Cooperstown.

Physical Plant – FRH – Tim reports Pete Powers will be doing the plaster work in the Frisbee house. Will begin as soon as it gets warm enough. Dave Hook looked at the Frisbee house for the foundation work and regrading. Waiting to get a quote. Also contacted Patriot Masonry for another quote. Church – Peggy asks if we are still looking to rent the church as is. Tim reports he invited Rosalie from Lumia to come today. Tim asks how much do we want to rent it for. Roy – depends on who is interested. Mike explains why he was opposed to renting. Does not want to put too much more on Tim and Angela. They will have to take time to coordinate with the realtor and other things. Roy explains it depends on the realtor, if you have one you trust and depend they can do most of the work. Tim says he would like to test the waters this year. See if anyone is even interested. Tom reports his personal feelings are that the church should be moved - not rented. Dick agrees. It needs lots of repairs. It needs to be moved so it can be used. Would like to get a quote on how much it would cost to move. Mike asked if this means the church would become the main focus. What do we want to focus on - the Church or the Frisbee House? Roy would like to try to rent for this summer. Tim will contact Dexheimer and try to rent for this summer.

Programs, Publications & Exhibits – Tim reports: **Newsletter** went out last week. **Del. Co. exhibit** – have been working on replacing the back wall of the large gallery into an exhibit of Delaware County History.

Public Relations – Tim reports: **Daily Star, Reporter** both did articles on the Lucy Loddell talk. It was front page of the *Daily Star*.

Finance –

As of April 14 we have \$44,526 in our general checking account

Santora income: \$10,000 (\$5,000 for GOE and \$5,000 for Frisbee House work)

Investment income: TUA: \$5,500; Henderson: \$700; FAM: \$5,626

Roy reports he has to update Quickbooks by the end of the month.

III. Director's Report

Lobdell talk went well, 35 people came.

Genealogy workshop – Ray did this workshop in March. Had 18 people.

Scotland trip – Ray is hoping to lead a trip to Scotland as a fundraiser for DCHA. 18 people has expressed interest in this trip.

History Conference – Tim asks if Mike and Tom are willing to talk as part of a roundtable about Historical Societies. Mike says he can talk for 10 minutes. Tom will be here.

IV. Old Business

Deaccession – Peggy asks if we ever deaccessioned anything. Tim reports. We do every few years. We are focusing on items that have no provenance. We offer things to other historical societies first before going to auction. All museums do this. This is how we got the Austin Negatives.

PA system – Roy reports he is looking into a PA system. Tim reports we found one and put in for a grant for a PA system, tables and chairs, etc.

Septic system – Peggy reports the CWC is now offering help with septic for non-profits. Should we look into this again? Tim reports the Clark family recommended not doing anything with the septic unless there is a problem.

V. New Business

Volunteer workday set for April 29th. We had to change the day with the History conference because the 29th is when the SUNY Oneonta kids are volunteering.

Next Board Meeting: Friday May 12, 2017 @ 10am

11:35am Roy makes a motion to adjourn. Dick seconds. All in favor.