

Delaware County Historical Association Board Meeting
Friday, August 12, 2016 10:00am

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

Absent: Cheryl Boyd, Dick Meyer

Roy calls meeting to order.

I. Review of July 2016 minutes

Tom makes a motion to accept the minutes. Barbara seconds. All in favor.

II. Committee Reports

Collections – Tim reports we are expecting a donation of a spinning wheel next week.

Physical Plant – Tim reports: Frisbee House roof was completed a few weeks ago. The total cost was the original quote. There was no added expense. Roy requests Tim research what state funding might be available for work on the Frisbee House. Tim reports he applied to a few local foundations for money to do the plaster repair. We are getting a quote on plaster repair. Mike thinks we should focus on the outside next year and get the house painted. Tim suggests the plaster repair should be the priority. Barbara requests the building and grounds committee come up with a priority list of what needs to be done in the house to help with planning. Tom suggests the downstairs back of the house should be the focus. Discussed expanding the back area, using for exhibits. Foundation needs work. Dick is in favor of painting the house with trim highlights and not putting the shutters back on right away. Roy suggests the need to make a 1-4 year plan for work on the house. Discussion on long range planning. Tim reports: **Church fence** was rebuilt by CDO crew. Roy mentions the church will need repainting soon. Discussion on using the church. Reminder that if we move the church it will be taken off the National Registry.

Programs, Publications & Exhibits – Tim reports: **Arcadia book** came out the end of July. Had the launch on July 29th. We are selling copies.

Public Relations – Tim reports: **Radio** – Tim and Ray were interviewed by Big Chuck on the Radio last Thursday. **Reporter** – numerous articles have been out, most on the book, some on other events.

Finance –

Tim reports: O'Connor GOE have received \$9,000 of the \$20,000 promised for 2016. We also got O'Connor money for P3 and for FRH roof. O'Connor FY '17 – O'Connor has promised the same GOE for 2017 as this year.

As of August 12 we have \$36,107 in our general checking account

Roy did a quick overview, Profit and Loss. Barbara asks if it is possible to get a financial report that compares this month to last year this month. Thinks it might be easier to understand. Discussion on what financial reports would be best and when they should be presented - quarterly or every month. A few years ago Tim was requested to stop providing the monthly statement of profit and loss he would print each meeting; the reason was stated as the Finance committee should just meet and report quarterly to help

streamline the meetings. Mike states he does not have an issue with how things are run financially here. Would like to focus more of the meeting on other things than finance. Discussion on building fund.

III. Director's Report

Bus trip – only have 6 seats left on a 52-seat bus. Peggy asks if the bus can pick up near Fleischmanns. Suggests at the U & D railroad ride. Tim says yes.

IV. Old Business

Frisbee Evening – Tim reports: went well, despite the rain. Fewer people because of the rain, so fewer memberships. But it was a good event. Should not be measured by how much money we bring in. Barbara asks what the usual attendance is. About 120. We had about 80 this year.

V. New Business

Mike reports after walking around the site he saw a few trees that need to be attended to. There are three locust trees by the barn. One is actually leaning on the roof. This should be attended too. Need to also look at the large maple tree in the cemetery. Tim says Jim Orezolli took down the trees in front of the Frisbee House last time. Will call to get a quote. Also requests we look into a way to get rid of the woodchucks. Discussion on how to get rid of woodchucks. Roy will talk to Tom Mills.

Fuel – Peggy asks if we have locked in on a fuel supplier. Tim says no, he was instructed to call around and find something cheaper.

Board members – Peggy asks if anyone else has been suggested to join the board. Tim reports he spoke with Kay Parisi-Hampel. She was interested. He explained it would not be until November.

11:10am – Tom makes a motion to adjourn. Barbara seconds. All in favor.

Next Board Meeting: Friday September 9, 2016 @ 10am