

Bismarck Historical Society

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of August 16, 2016

Missouri River Room, Bismarck Public Library

Directors Present: Mike Heyd, Mike LaLonde, Tom Mayer, Ted Quanrud, Marilyn Snyder, Carolyn Twingley, Ann Vadnie

Directors Absent: Tim Atkinson, Mary Baird, Dennis Boyd, Johnathan Campbell, Tom Hesford, Larry Jahnke, Yvonne Kubis, Mike McCormack, Tom Stromme, Kate Waldera

Also in Attendance: Walt Bailey (Exec. Director), Myron Atkinson, Diane Larson

Call to Order and Financial Reports

President Tom Mayer called the meeting to order. The minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. Upon motion _____ and second by _____, the minutes were approved. Upon motion by _____ and second by _____, the June financial report, including Balance Sheet, P&L, and BNC Bank statement, were approved.

Ongoing Business

Membership – Walt Bailey reported that there are a total of 259 members as compared to 257 last month.

Newsletter – No report.

Web Page, Social Media and E-Mail – No report

Calendar Committee – Chair Ted Quanrud stated the calendars will be done in September. All text is written and ready for the printer. Walt said that the committee had met and had voiced a concern about the expense of the calendar and possibly not being able to do another calendar because of this.

Programs – Chair Marilyn Snyder reminded the Board of the Members Picnic the next day at Sertoma Park and requested all board members assist with the setting up and cleaning up. The plans for the annual meeting at the Heritage Center were briefly discussed.

Collections – No report

Vision Committee – No report

Nominations Committee – No report

Cookbook Committee – No report

Business

The majority of the meeting focused on a presentation by Myron Atkinson and Diane Larson, a member of the State Historical Society Board and state representative. Myron and Diane were asking for support from our Board for Camp Hancock. With the resources of the SHSND very limited, they were asking us to team with Myron and the Downtowners in improving and maintaining the Camp Hancock site. New signage is going up with a large new site sign going into place. The Downtowners are paying for 4 banners to go on the light posts by Camp Hancock to draw attention to the site. Myron and Diane asked that the improvements began on the green space now. Tom Mayer said that city leaders had met with the group and were also willing to work on the project. After discussion about the possibilities for cooperation and strong support for the plan, Tim Atkinson made a motion, seconded by Ann Vadnie, to be leaders and active participants in the endeavor: **'Moved that the Bismarck Historical Society act as the lead sponsor for a continual project to assure the preservation and promotion of Camp Hancock, working in cooperation with the State Historical Society of North Dakota, The Downtowners, the City of Bismarck, and other interested organizations and individuals; and that the Bismarck Historical Society establish a subsidiary process by which funds can be contributed and applied to the project.'**

As a quorum was not present, Secretary Snyder sent the motion via e-mail to all members. Eleven members responded, all with a positive response except for Johnathan Campbell who abstained due to a potential conflict of interest as an employee of the State Historical Society and the Camp Hancock site supervisor. Motion carried.

Walt Bailey handed out copies of a print done by Shane Balkowitz of the scene of "Bloody Fourth" he had done with his old-fashioned photography.

Ann Vadnie let the Board know she had been approached by Jason Stark of the Park Board on helping with the history of the War Memorial Building built in 1927. She will keep us informed on what the Park Board wishes.

The next regular Board of Directors will be held at the Library on September 20, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Snyder, Secretary-