

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE HSDV HELD February 8, 2012

The meeting was held at the Dayton Museum and called to order by President Vicki Kinney at 10:15am. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. All Board members were present and were later joined by members Jack Folmar and Stony Tennant.

The minutes of the January meeting were distributed. Corrections: Barbara Peck noted that the School program should be included in the annual calendar as well as the Dayton Valley Days Celebration as pointed out by Vicki Kinney. The minutes were approved as amended on a motion from Donna McElroy with a second by Laura Tennant.

Treasurer Grace Ricci reported a balance of \$13,956.33 and noted that due to a medical appointment, she would not be attending the general meeting. Pat Neylan will give the treasurer's report at that time. The report was approved on a motion from Laura Tennant with a second from Tom Parcels. Grace also noted that Linda Clements was helping her with the year end reconciliations. Tom Parcels brought up the point as to whether or not we required a separate yearend audit of the Society's finances and after discussion it was decided that Grace would seek advice from our accountant and report back at the March meeting. This was done on a motion from Laura Tennant with a second from Barbara Peck.

President Vicki Kinney stated that we needed to be sure all items discussed by the Board were clearly understood and that all specific details were clear to all members before moving on to avoid misinterpretation as have occurred in the past.

2012 Calendar: A list of pending events with assigned chairs from the January general meeting was reviewed. After discussion it was decided to move the 25th anniversary celebration of the Society away from the March opening of the museum and make it an event in May to coincide with Nevada History Preservation Month and in conjunction with our May lecture series. (weekend after first lecture). It was decided to ask Linda Adams to chair this event. As to DVD and Oodles, Barbara Peck suggested that the event chair also attend the planning meetings held by the DVD or Oodles organizers to help streamline our participation and avoid the confusion experienced sometimes in the past. Chairs are still needed for these events and will be sought at the general meeting. Vicki will conduct a special meeting in the near future to discuss the criteria for our participation in these events and how to aid new chairs.

Other Items: Location of General Meeting. It was decided not to change the location at this time. We will reconsider again when it is clear that there are no more ongoing repair/construction issues at the Community Center. Support of the Dayton Food Bank: Like last year it was decided that participation should be by individual members at their own discretion and not by HSDV as an entity. Freight Wagon: It has been proposed by Bernie Allen that we seek the donation of an antique freight wagon from the Fernley RR group. Laura Tennant pointed out that the request should come from the group that originally donated it to the Fernley museum and that we would discuss acceptance should it be so offered. Monthly History Moment: For the February meeting Laura will make a presentation dealing with the founding and early days of the HSDV. It was also suggested and approved that we add the "history moment" to our calendar ad in the newspaper. Laura will look into this issue. Scrapbooks: Vicki will contact Mabel Masterman to help set up a transition of this project to several other members and eventually create special work days for the book's assembly early each year.

Vicki Kinney reiterated her desire to shorten the business portion of the general meeting and suggested that only brief summaries of issues be presented at that time. In order that the members stay better informed Vicki suggested that the minutes of the previous Board meeting be supplied to all members via email when possible and with copies available at the meeting to help avoid repeating all the details. This will begin with the February meeting.

Carson and Colorado: Tom Parcels supplied the Board with a summary of the working group's plans which included details of a new railroad event to be held in August, the week after Hot August Nights, and results of inspections on the Box Car with an estimate of special lumber needed to restore the car. A request for a dollar estimate for the lumber will be sent to Hull/Oaks Lumber Co. in Monroe OR. The full report is on file. Laura Tennant informed us that the Misfits Theater Group in Dayton is considering a benefit production for the restoration of the box car. It was also noted that the Society should apply by June for a Room Tax Grant to help advertise the RR event.

Schoolhouse Museum: Donna McElroy reported on the progress that has been made on the museum displays in advance of our March opening, but stressed that much remained to be done. One major change taking place is with the Chinese display and some additional funds will be required to complete it. Items needed include a special shadowbox to display the rare Chinese undergarment, paint to redo the wall around the display and some computer supplies to enlarge some of the unique photos and reprint the various labels. On a motion from Barbara Peck with a second from Tom Parcels the Board voted to expend an amount not to exceed \$300 for this project. Pat Neylan also discussed the need to schedule a special committee meeting to revise the standard forms used by the Society. The committee includes himself, Jack Folmar and Donna McElroy. Additional help is sought from any member with an interest in this project. Volunteers are being formed to catalogue the books.

Documentary Filming in Dayton: Jack Folmar reported that a German film company will be working in the Dayton area on March 1st to create a documentary about life on Hwy 50 across Nevada and that they have a special interest in the Pony Express and the TV series Bonanza. Jack met the producer on a chance tour she took of the Dayton museum last summer and has been her contact person in Dayton. He has been arranging interviews with various Dayton personalities and is close to final arrangements. He has suggested perhaps a "group" interview at the museum.

After wishing Vicki Kinney a "happy birthday" the meeting was adjourned and work resumed on the museum displays.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Patrick Neylan
Secretary, HSDV