

MINUTES FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF THE HSDV HELD March 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Vicki Kinney and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance. Board members Barbara Peck and Laura Tennant were absent.

The minutes of the February meeting were distributed and approved on a motion from Grace Ricci with a second by Donna McElroy.

Treasurer Grace Ricci reported a balance of \$13936.69 and noted that there were bills outstanding for the display cases purchased from the Delta Saloon in VC and the expenses from the museum gift shop remodel. There was income of approximately \$150 from the first week of operating the museum and gift shop. The report was approved. Grace informed us that our accountant would perform a comprehensive audit of the Society records at no cost. An annual income/expense report was given to each Board member.

Vicki Kinney reminded members of the pending Commissioners Meeting at the Community Center on 3/15 at 6pm and requested a reminder email be sent to all members. The meeting will address the issue of the Community Center as well as the projected \$2.6 million deficit facing the county.

OLD BUSINESS:

Donna McElroy reported good progress with the display updates at the museum but noted more work was necessary. It was suggested that a special meeting be held to develop an overview plan as to what additional displays will be created and what they will contain. This was in reaction to Stony Tennant's report that the outside barn (dedicated to the JohnD Winter's collections) will be ready for display purposes in a few weeks. This will free up space inside the museum and allow for new displays such as the school house, post office, etc. It was noted that the barn had been donated by Herman Bauer. Proper and weather-proof labeling of the outdoor displays was discussed. Tom Parcels will look into the possibility of acquiring a machine to cut permanent plastic signs for outdoor use. Stony also reported that work was progressing well on the firehouse repairs. Donna reviewed the fact that a new alarm keypad had been installed and new codes were issued. She also stressed the need to contact the security company and update the emergency call list.

Carson & Colorado: Tom Parcels reported on the plans to weather proof and paint the box car and noted that complete restoration would be planned in the future as funds become available. He has, and will continue to work with the SPNG group and noted that they will soon set a date to come to Dayton to work on the box car. Tom brought up the need for more complete if not separate funding reports concerning the monies available to the C&C working group. Donna noted that this can be accomplished at the completion of the audit. Vicki confirmed the Society's overall support for all the efforts of the RR group.

Fernley Freight Wagon: Tom P reported that he had sent a letter of intent to accept the donation of a Dangberg freight wagon as well as several RR items from the Fernley Preservation Society which is in the process of disbanding. Linda Clements has also been active in seeking the acquisition of some of their artifacts that would be appropriate for Dayton. (letters on file). Tom and Stony reported that it would take a crew and two trailers to transport the items to Dayton.

NEW BUSINESS:

March General Meeting: Vicki noted that a speaker will attend the meeting and needs to set up equipment prior to the 12:30pm starting time. The archaeologist, Ron Reno will discuss sites on the Carson River near the bridge and the site of Sutro's original mill.

Fund Raising: Stony Tennant presented a plan for future fund raising. It would utilize a specially struck commemorative medallion with an annual theme. He suggests creating a standard design for the reverse side (eg. the Schoolhouse) with a changing theme design for the front. There is not a set quantity requirement and reorders are possible. The highest quality striking would cost the Society \$8 per medallion plus the cost of silver based on the current spot price (approx. \$33-35 oz at the moment). First set up would run \$1500 for both sides of the medallion with future issues costing only \$600 for the one side new design. The facility will create the design from any source, such as a photo, drawing etc. The finished product would retail for approximately \$20 over the cost. The Board was in favor of pursuing this project and it was suggested that the first issue be of a RR nature to benefit the C&C and be made available prior to the August event. Tom and Stony will obtain a complete and final cost estimate and report back to the Board.

25th Anniversary Celebration: After some discussion the Board decided to leave the date for the celebration at the museum on May 5, 2012. It will be an open house style event lasting several hours.

The meeting was adjourned a 12:15pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Patrick Neylan
Secretary HSDV