

## MINUTES OF THE HSDV BOARD MEETING HELD May 9, 2012

The meeting was held at the Dayton Museum and called to order by Pres. Vicki Kinney at 10:10 AM. All Board members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

The minutes of the April meeting were distributed and approved on a motion from Barbara Peck with a second from Laura Tennant.

Treasurer Grace Ricci reported a balance of \$12364.41 and that the society's 2011 financial records had been reviewed with no corrections by our accountant. At a past meeting the Board had discussed whether or not it would be appropriate to consult an additional outside auditor to review our records but on a motion from Laura Tennant and seconded by Barbara Peck the Board voted to continue the present policy of accepting the review report of our accountant. This policy will be reported to the general membership at the May meeting. In addition, the accountant stated that the law required us to store our financial records for a period of three (3) years to be in compliance with current IRS requirements but recommended that as a non-profit we keep all of our financial records indefinitely. Plans are being made to transfer the past records from Grace Ricci's home to the Dayton museum. More recent years will be kept available for immediate reference while earlier years will be sealed and stored in a less accessible way.

### OLD BUSINESS:

25<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Celebration: Laura Tennant noted an approximate attendance of 150 visitors had been reported to the local press and that the event was a tremendous success. The fashion show was especially well received. On a question from Barbara Peck, Donna McElroy reported that the final cost of the event had not as yet been calculated as other had receipts that had not been turned in. Donna also informed us that the roses at the event had been donated by the Carson City Florist and she was preparing a thank you for the owner. Donna also let us know that members of the Randall family had attended the celebration and are interested in helping us update and correct the museum displays dealing with their family. (A meeting with the Randall's is scheduled following the May General Meeting). When that is completed an update of the Gates family display should become a priority.

School Program: Barbara Peck let us know that the program was going very well and only one in class presentation remained (Riverview). There are four walking tour field trips scheduled during May and the first week of June. It was noted that the Firehouse may not be available at those times due to its ongoing repairs/restoration. Stony Tennant would determine that.

Museum Displays: It was determined to continue to move ahead but at a slower and more orderly pace as work there would now have to be accomplished with the museum open.

C&C: Tom Parcells reports that the working group is stilling looking for an intermediate bookkeeper to organize their finances before turning them over to Grace Ricci. He stressed the need for a cleanup day at the Depot and the necessity of blocking off the rear driveways to prevent citizens from driving through the property. He said they were working on a mailing list and flyer to promote the upcoming RR Days in August. Tom suggested we mail our Docent Newsletter to other museums in Nevada. Via email was suggested. There is still a plan to relocate the Box Car but it was noted that it should be included in a more comprehensive

“Master Plan”. In a related item a local welder has volunteered to help work on the Society’s newly acquired trailer with Stony Tennant so it can function both as a hauler and stage/float.

Rummage Sale: Gretchen Arndt will return from vacation soon and Laura Tennant suggested we begin to list drop off times/locations in the local papers to start gathering additional items for the June sale. Laura also suggested that if we are accepting clothes we create a “boutique” area to display and price separately the finer items donated.

Oodles of Noodles: Vicki Kinney noted that additional help would be needed for this upcoming event and signups would be requested at the general meeting. We will continue to operate a booth, the museum, hopefully the Firehouse, and parking at the Depot. If enough members volunteer the amount of time needed from each member can be reduced.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

General Meeting: Pat Neylan was asked to make a brief presentation about the Dayton Episcopal Church as the “History Moment” for the May General Meeting. Laura Tennant suggested we inquire of the membership what type of other presentations they might favor and also suggested Guy Rocha as a future guest speaker.

Dayton Valley Days: There will be an emphasis on our History at the event this year and the Society has been asked to aid in that endeavor with various displays etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm by President Vicki Kinney.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Patrick Neylan  
Secretary, HSDV