

MINUTES HSDV BOARD MEETING HELD: March 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Vicki Kinney and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present. Board member Barbara Peck was absent due to a schedule conflict. Member Mabel Masterman was present.

The minutes of the February Board meeting were distributed by Secretary Patrick Neylan and approved as written on a motion from Laura Tennant with a second from Donna McElroy.

Treasurer Grace Ricci reported a balance of \$10,922.98 with income of \$3483 and expenses of \$1703.89 for the period. Grace explained the balance of the income was from a check from Lyon Co. to pay for the roof repairs at the museum. This amount was in error as the Society had already paid the roof bill and was supposed to be reimbursed for 50% of the amount. We will return the correct amount to the County. Grace also distributed copies of the 2012 Balance Sheet to all Board members. In light of our current tax accounting situation a discussion was held as to whether or not to retain our present accounting firm. It was decided to do so for 2013 and revisit the issue in January of 2014. Vicki reported that the current firm was preparing a letter of explanation concerning the revoking of the Society's non profit status and it would be ready on March 13th. Vicki also would set up an appointment with the firm and she and Grace would meet with them to determine exactly where the breakdown had occurred. Under correspondence two upcoming events were noted: Special exhibit at the Sparks Heritage Museum (3/14) and one at the Warren Eng. Co in Carson City (6/15).

OLD BUSINESS:

Museum: Vicki Kinney reported that the accessioning process for the contents of the JohnD barn was progressing. Paperwork compatible with a possible future computer program was being utilized. Donna McElroy reported that the new contact list and necessary paperwork had finally been completed and filed with Lyon Co. She also noted that the museum would open for the season beginning the weekend of March 16-17. Donna also explained a request for a future museum display at the Nevada Legislature to promote our museum. She will get additional information and report back. A museum clean-up session was set for Thursday, 3/14 at 10:30am. Donna then reported that a special tour of the museum would be conducted on 5/10 for the Historical Society of Carson City.

Carson & Colorado: Tom Parcels reported plans moving forward for the combined Dayton Valley Days/Dayton RR Days event in September. Arrangements have already been made for the display of the hand car and Bernie Allen's equipment. A contact has been found in the US Forest Service for a possible source of lumber for the box car restoration. We have a need for additional sections of rail for depot displays. Pres. Vicki Kinney read a report from the Working Group supplied by Linda Clements restating the group's long term goals concerning the depot restoration and other projects with a timeline to be determined by funding. After some discussion, and on a motion from Laura Tennant with a second from Margy Bethers, it decided to allow the Community Roots group to use the depot lot on Thursdays for their Summer Farmer's Market (pending verification of liability insurance).

Scrapbook: Margy Bethers unveiled the 2012 edition of the Society's scrapbook. She suggested in the future that pertinent items be kept at the museum on an ongoing basis and the book worked on progressively throughout the year.

Lincoln Highway Event: Even though the driving event will not pass through Dayton, we will be eligible to receive specially designed collector mugs to distribute during the summer to promote Dayton and a discussion took place to decide how to give them away to our best advantage. No final decision was reached but utilizing our major town events was stressed. (Oodles, DVD etc).

School Program: Vicki Kinney reported that Barbara Peck (chair of the project) had contacted the three elementary schools, outlining the different aspects of the event, but had only heard back from one so far. Additional information will be supplied as it becomes available.

Pony Express Territory Filming: After the interesting presentation last month by Patrick Pharris, Laura Tennant recommends moving toward a 30sec model. It could promote our most important events (DVD, Ghost Walk, etc) and help increase awareness of Dayton for visitors. Laura recommended forming a steering committee to proceed and meet following the March general meeting. Secretary Patrick Neylan will send out a "barnstorming" message to members.

Computer System: After much input, including a suggestion to purchase an auxiliary hard drive and printer that is compatible with our existing system, it was approved on a motion from Laura Tennant with a second from Margy Bethers, that the HSDV would purchase an entirely new and up to date computer system that would include an auxiliary hard drive and 3way printer. President Vicki Kinney will consult competent members and order the new system.

Nevada Geographic Names: Laura Tennant noted that plans were in effect for the visit of the Board of the Nevada Geographic Names. They would meet 5/14 at the Community Center, enjoy a lunch provided by the HSDV, tour our museums and then go on the driving tour to view Fremont Lookout. All of our members are encouraged to participate in this event.

NEW BUSINESS:

2013 Events: Vicki Kinney said that at the March general meeting we need to outline the 2013 events the Society will participate in and seek chairs for each. She noted that if the Fire Dept. should decide to hold an event for their sesquicentennial the HSDV would participate in it, but not originate it. For Oodles of Noodles, it was decided that we would not have a sales booth at the Firehouse/Jail, but would keep it open with tours, literature and guidance toward the Schoolhouse Museum.

May Lecture Series: Laura Tennant explained that there would be three lectures this year, focusing on "Old Buildings" The buildings chosen are the Community Center (High School), the Bluestone building, and the Union Hotel. A committee is putting the agenda together.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Patrick Neylan
Secretary, HSDV