

NLHS Board Meeting
2/26/2014
Secretary's Report

In attendance: Tom Little, Linda Jaggard, Sue King, Maggie Ford, David Royle, Clara Sheehy, Kathy Pfann, Deborah Hall, Kelli Bogan, and Laurie Lauridsen

Absent: Ellen Chandler, Maureen Strachan, Tom DeMille, Jeremy Bonin, Sandra LeBeaut, and Roger Smith

Kathy Pfann in attendance as one of the new co-chairs for the docents.

Meeting called to order at 5:07pm

Secretary's Report-Kelli Bogan

Minutes from January's meeting were reviewed. Moved to accept by Sue King. Seconded by Tom Little. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report-Tom Little

Incoming expense is in good shape. Membership is strong and on the correct trajectory. Some of the moneys have moved as Tom has been cleaning up account numbering. Tom has the Wells-Fargo paperwork and will get appropriate signatures to move forward with it.

The Raise the Roof campaign has had additional contributions. There was some discussion of future plans for the Lauridsen building with the funds

Maggie Ford raised the point that the Acquisitions building is currently being heated in the winter via propane and asked if this is really necessary for the future.

David Royle raised the question of whether we should have a line of credit when necessary. Tom explained that we do have money in the back that could be allocated in other ways and paid back to whatever fund it was borrowed from.

David Royle moved to accept the treasurer's report. Clara Sheehy seconded. Approved unanimously.

Programs. Linda Jaggard

The February dessert social went well with attendance of approximately 35 people. Clara will provide Maggie with additional information on Opera North for the PALS newsletter. ON would do two performances if there is enough demand for attendance. Linda recommended that for now we do one date and, if it is successful, we can bring it back.

Young at Art and the Fourth Grade field trips still need planning. They might ask Jodi if she is willing to help out with Young at Art. Linda will also reach out to the Grantham and Franklin schools that expressed interest last year.

Newsletter. Linda Jaggard.

Need to get decent recruitment information into the next newsletter and perhaps have Ellen do an email blast as well.

Would like to include an article highlighting the Lauridsen building and Raise the Roof campaign benefits

It should include programming

Linda will ask Maureen to email everyone with the deadline for the newsletter.

Name Change. Linda Jaggard.

DBA needs to be registered with the State of New Hampshire. Maureen Strachan and Maggie Ford will be doing this soon.

Maggie will send Linda the horse logo without writing for promotional purposes.

New Business

Bob Nelson Donations

Bob Nelson passed away and, in his obituary, designated the historical society would be his preference for gifts. The Society has begun to receive some. WE will work to identify the donors to the family. Bob's family would like to see the funds utilized in maintenance since he was very active in the Tuesday gang. Laurie motioned for the board to designate the money from Bob Nelson's memorial gift to the existing maintenance account. The board discussed and raised a question whether maintenance is aware of the funds they have and is there a way to make them aware of this money. The motion was seconded by David Royle. Approved unanimously. David Royle motioned that we have an income line to offset maintenance expenses to be called Tuesday game. David withdrew his motion and Laurie withdrew her motion. Maggie suggested instead that we defer decisions on the Bob Nelson funds and refer it for study to discuss at the next meeting.

60th Anniversary Celebration

Felt it should be recognized in some way. It was recommended that we should acknowledge the anniversary at the annual meeting and honor Diane Seamans.

It should also be mentioned that it is our 60th anniversary annual meeting in the PALS brochure.

Joint Project with the NH Historical Society

The state historical society has invited us to participate with them in their new database of collections. Maggie will be meeting with them in March to find out what this means. Would be at no cost to us and they will provide all of the technical assistance. Believe it will be similar to Maine Memory.

New/Old Business. David Royle.

Carriage and other items located in basement of Patsy Brewer's home, only living grandchild of Mrs. Tracy. Decision made to ask John Roemer to look at them since he is a carriage expert-this will be deferred to summer when John Roemer is here.

Membership. Debbie Hall.

Write up from the focus group in October.

May want to have a float for Hospital Day. May want to get our members involved and a float seems like a good way to start.

Debbie will speak with Kim at the town about signage.

Is there a way to have more activities around that appeal to younger families? Amber in Wilmot has lots of ideas and knows someone who is familiar with old games. Sue can bring animals over from the farm.

Discussed having a town wide weekend-Maggie will discuss this with the chamber

Need to make sure that all of the doors are open while the docents are on site.

Possibly could speak with summer programs like the one at Hogan Sports Center at Colby-Sawyer College.

Debbie will try to work with Twin Lake Villas about a rainy day scenario using group rates. Tuesday cookout could be here instead of climbing Kearsarge.

Possibility of providing lunch at the triathlon as a fundraiser (Hospital Days)? Would there be enough interest? Worth talking to the hospital about the future.

May want to try a Growers dinner again. Need to figure out a niche that is different that lures people in. People keep thinking about what our niche could be and people will check in next month from the conversations they are going to have.

May want to bring back walking tours from years past on a cycle.

Sue King made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Little seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.